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LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

THREE LINERS DRIVE OFF SUBMARINES.

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Prussian Losses Well Over Two Millions.

ZEPPELIN RAIDS: DEMANDS BY A MIDLANDS CONFERENCE.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

AMERICAN STEAMER ATTACKED.

ANOTHER NOTE TO AUSTRIA.

February 10, 12.45 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at New York states that America has sent a Note to Austria demanding an apology for a submarine attack on the American steamer Petrolite, the punishment of the commander and an indemnity for the injury.

The Note adds that the submarine fired on the steamer without giving warning and continued firing although the steamer stopped, wounding one man. Afterwards the submarine crew forcibly helped themselves to the ship's provisions.

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IMPORT TAXES.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE'S PROPOSAL.

February 10, 12.30 p.m.
Mr. Runciman privately discussed the question of shipping control and the restriction of imports with a Unionist Business Committee in the House of Commons for two hours yesterday.

It is stated that the Unionists urged, instead of restriction, the taxation of imports, giving a preference to the Dominions.

It is understood that Mr. Runciman was unable to give any undertaking.

COMPULSION BILL.

TRADE UNIONISTS ABANDON PROTEST MEETING.

February 10, 12.30 p.m.
The Alliance of Miners, Railwaymen and Transport Workers has abandoned its meeting to consider action against the Compulsion Bill.

THE LONDON REGIMENT.

TWO OVERSEAS BATTALIONS.

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ZEPPELIN RAIDS.

PLEA FOR MORE WARNING.

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All the public authorities in Warwickshire, Worcestershire and Staffordshire were represented at the Conference in Birmingham to consider anti-Zeppelin measures.

The Conference passed a resolution welcoming the new Home Office order securing uniformity of lighting restrictions, but demanding that the military authorities shall organise a system giving early warning of the arrival and movements of aircraft.

AIR TORPEDOES.

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BRITISH AERIAL PROGRESS.

A NEW AND SPEEDY BIPLANE.

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The Secretary of the Aero Club of America says that a new Canada biplane, with a speed of 120 miles an hour, is being largely built by the British, and will kill the Fokker terror.

FRENCH OCCUPY ANOTHER ISLAND.

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SMYRNA BOMBED.

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A message from Athens states that a French air squadron bombed Smyrna on Tuesday.

FRENCH MINISTERS LEAVE FOR ITALY.

[Havas Telegram.]

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[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE SITUATION IN THE BALKANS.

KING FERDINAND VISITS THE KAISER.

February 9, 1.40 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam a telegram from Sofia announces that King Ferdinand has gone to the German Headquarters on a visit to the Kaiser. The Ministry exercises reticence during his absence.

REMOVAL OF NEUTRAL CONSULS.

February 9, 1.40 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Athens states that the German and Bulgarian authorities have decided upon the removal of neutral consuls from the occupied districts of Macedonia.

AN INTERESTING CONFERENCE.

February 9, 7.30 p.m.
It is officially announced from Berlin that King Ferdinand, M. Radoslavoff and M. Jekoff have arrived at the German headquarters with a view to conferring with Herr von Bethmann Hollweg (Chancellor) and Herr von Jagow (Secretary for Foreign Affairs).

RUSSIANS CROSS THE DNIESTER.

February 10, 12.10 a.m.
An official message from Petrograd says that the Russians have crossed the Dniester near Usiczyke.

AN AUSTRIAN STATEMENT.

February 10, 3.00 a.m.
An Austrian communique mentions contact with the Italians in Albania and says that a force made up of Serbians, Italians and Epirotes is retreating before the Austrian advance. They made a stand at Valva, five miles north-west of Turana. The communique also declares that the disarmament of the Montenegrins has been completed.

WAR TELEGRAMS.

AUSTRIAN AND GERMAN NAVAL CHIEFS CONFERENCE.

February 9, 1.40 p.m.
Simultaneously with reports of activity at Kiel it is announced that the Archduke Charles, Commander-in-Chief of the Austrian Navy, has arrived at Berlin in order to confer with Admiral Tirpitz.

THE RUSSIANS.

AUSTRIAN POSITION AGAIN PIERCED.

February 9, 1.40 p.m.
An Austrian communique admits that repeated Russian attacks have pierced the Austrian position north-west of Tarnopol.

IN THE NEAR EAST.

February 9, 1.40 p.m.
A telegram from Petrograd reports that the Russians in the Caucasus are now striking at the Turkish flank, for the time being disregarding Erzerum while co-operating with the advancing Russians in Persia and the British in Mesopotamia.

A USEFUL EXCHANGE.

February 9, 1.40 p.m.
Prince and Princess Almsalm have arrived in London having been released from internment at Gibraltar and exchanged, through the good offices of the King of Spain, for Colonel Gordon, V.O., who was taken prisoner during the retreat from Mons.

MINERS STILL PASSING "RESOLUTIONS."

February 9, 5.00 p.m.
The Miners' Conference at Lancaster has passed a resolution of opposition to the spirit of conscription and of determination to scrutinise vigilantly any proposed extension of compulsion.

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THE ALLIES IN THE WEST.

MUTUAL ACTIVITY.

February 9, 5.25 p.m.
A Paris communique says that there has been mutual artillery activity at Artois. The Germans exploded two large mines at La Botte and penetrated some sectors of the firing trench which had been shattered and also some points of the supporting trench, from which they were driven by a night grenade attack. The fighting continues. The French guns have been active in the Somme region and have cannonaded Harmannewillerkopf.

GERMANY'S HEAVY LOSSES.

February 9, 7.30 p.m.
Reuter is reliably informed that the number of German wounded transported through Belgium after the attack on Frise was even larger than that after the battle of Loos. Undoubtedly the total German losses at Frise were extremely heavy.

MORE ENEMY TRENCHES DAMAGED.

February 10, 12.10 a.m.
General Sir Douglas Haig reports: Last night we fired a mine south of Fosse 8 and occupied the crater after fighting with a trench mortar and hand grenades. The enemy's artillery is active near Loos and north-west of Ypres. Our artillery replied vigorously, damaging the enemy trenches.

ENEMY ONCE MORE REPULSED.

A Paris communique says:—Our heavy artillery in Belgium has continued the bombardment of Vanban Fort and the enemy trenches in the Hevas district. There has been an intense artillery duel in Artois. The enemy, after exploding a mine in front of our trench south-west of Hill 140, launched an infantry attack which was repulsed. Our bombers forced the enemy to evacuate a small post between Scissions and Rheims while our batteries south-west of St. Mihiel seriously damaged enemy defences in the Rovers of Apremont.

TELEGRAMS.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

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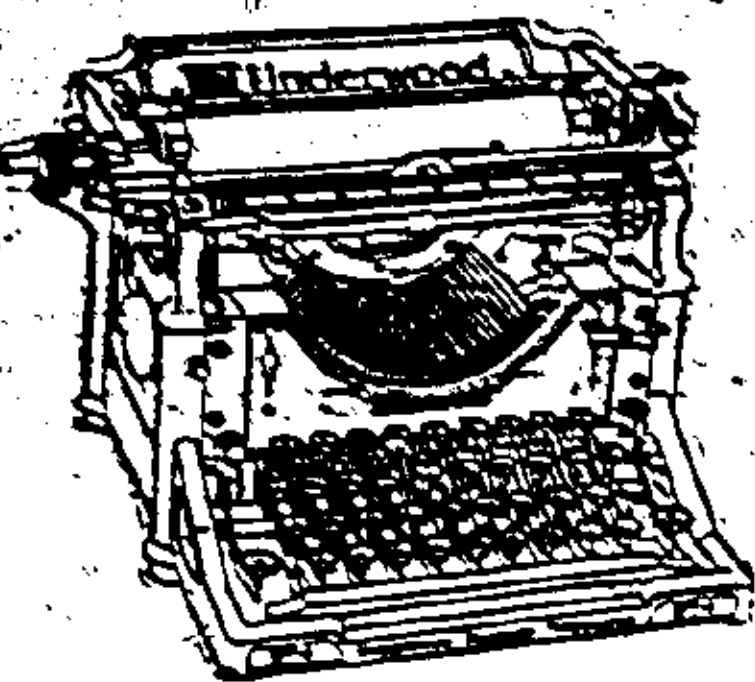
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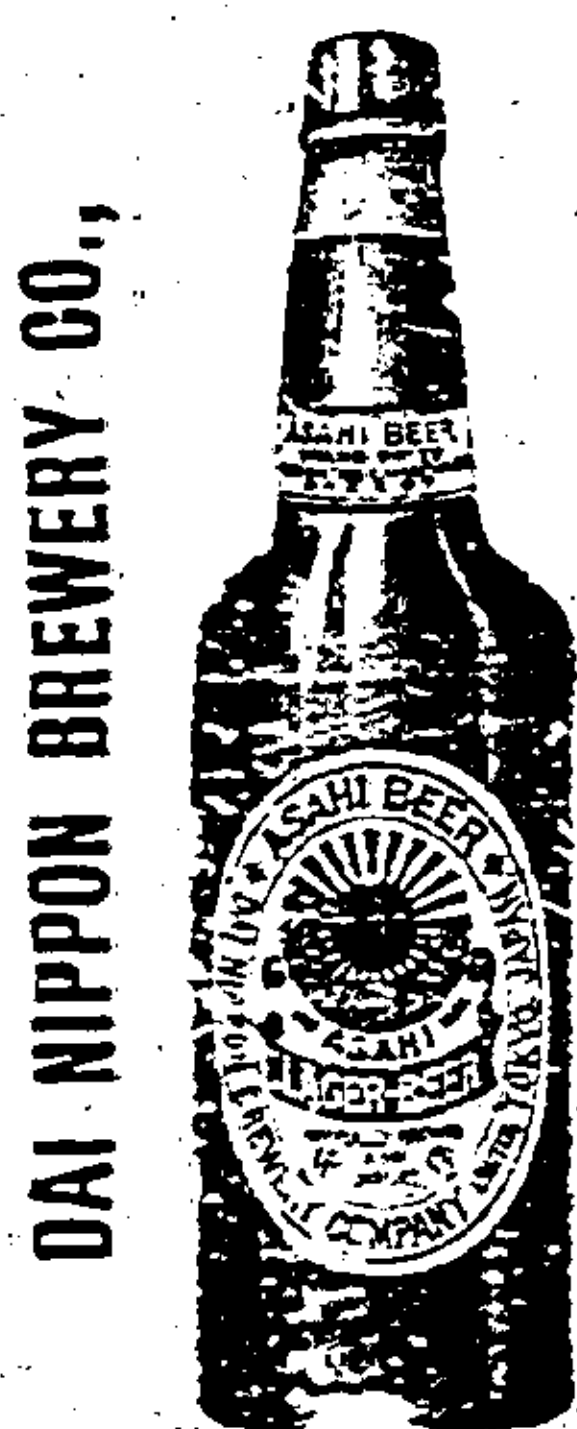
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South China Morning Post.

Hongkong and the War.
Telegrams exchanged between His Excellency the Governor and the Secretary of State for the Colonies, which are published to-day, show that there is still a great need for contributions from this Colony for purposes of war relief at home. Hongkong has already done well—in proportion to its population and wealth it has probably contributed as liberally as any other part of the Empire—but since the closing of the Prince of Wales' Fund a few weeks ago there has been a marked falling off in subscriptions although it was pointed out at the time that these would continue to be received. If any doubt exists as to the need for help from this distant part of the Empire, and probably in the minds of many such a doubt does exist, it should be effectively dispelled by the Secretary of State's reply to the Governor's request for information.

Daily Press.

Special Police Reserve.
Yesterday evening H. E. the Governor inspected the Special Police Reserve of Hongkong on the Garrison Parade ground. The force presented a very different appearance from that which paraded before His Excellency on April 9th of last year. Then it numbered only half its present strength and, having no uniforms, was obliged to appear in mud. On the present occasion nearly five hundred men of all ranks, properly equipped, marched past, and, by their general bearing, justified Major-General Kelly's description of them last July as a "very valuable addition to the armed forces of the Colony." The Corps is composed of four companies, an Ambulance detachment, a band, an orchestra, a special service corps, a motor-patrol section, and a machine-gun section. A mounted detachment, also, is in course of formation. Among the special service Staff are electricians, photographers, mechanics, surveyors, veterinary surgeons, chemists, motor-men, marine engineers, and men who can speak almost every known tongue.

China Mail.

Russia and Japan.
The reported loan by Japan to Russia will doubtless lend countenance in Japan to the rumours which have been current in the Press of that country during the past month to the effect that the recent visit of His Imperial Highness the Grand Duke George Michaelovitch is likely to result in an agreement between Russia and Japan of more than ordinary political significance. The Grand Duke visited Japan to convey to the Emperor an expression of Russia's congratulation upon His Majesty's coronation, and also her gratitude for the help Japan has given to her in the war. This visit was particularly welcome for the reason that the feeling prevailed in political circles in Japan, that German agencies had been at work to create in Russia an attitude of suspicion and distrust towards Japan, and to encourage the idea, which was said to be cherished in certain circles in Russia, that Russia's defeat in East Asia ten years ago at the hands of Japan must be avenged.

More Outlaw Captured.
A telegram received at the Manila constabulary headquarters from the constabulary senior inspector at Jolo states that Hassan, a noted outlaw, who escaped from the provincial jail at Jolo on December 12, was captured by Lieutenant Harris.
—Manila Bulletin.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Convalescent.

The Bishop of Labuan and Sarawak who is in England, is recovering from his recent illness, and hopes to return to Borneo next year.

Rubber Exports in F.M.S.

The value of rubber exported from the F.M.S. last year is placed at 918,413,392 says the Straits Echo. Over 44,523 tons were exported as against 30,697 tons in the previous year.

Presented to the King of Siam.

On January 15 at Bangkok Notification, Mr. O. H. Kory had the honour of being presented to His Majesty the King of Siam, in virtue of the fact that he was an officer of the 1st Battalion of the Durham Light Infantry during the time His Majesty was serving with the regiment. The 1st Battalion is now serving on the Indian frontier, and the 2nd Battalion is at the front in Flanders.

Police Medals.

His Majesty has been graciously pleased to award the King's Police Medal to the following officers of police forces and fire brigades in the Colonies:—Andrew John O'Byrne, Constable, S. A. Police; William Smith, Inspector of Police, Tasmania; Percy John Ernest Grant, Sgt. of Police, Tasmania; John Watson, Constable of Police, Tasmania; R. M. Kala Banda, Constable, Ceylon Police Force.

Horse-flesh as Food.

New York, Dec. 21.—Sale of horse meat for food will be permitted in New York after January 1, the board of health announced to-day. "The horse never has tuberculosis and almost never communicates a malignant disease to human beings," Commissioner Emerson said. "Hereafter, old horses, instead of being sold for their bones, which are worth little or nothing, will be fattened and disposed of for meat."

Candidates for Whitewash.

A correspondent, says the Straits Echo, suggests that the following might form suitable subjects for addresses: "Henry the Eighth as a Model Husband," "Messalina as a Virtuous Matron," "Casanova as an Author for the Young," "Jane Cakeshead as a Perfect Lady," "Charles Pease as a Friend of the Police," "Munchausen as a Truthful Traveller," and "The Kaiser as a Prince of Peace."

A Chinese Puzzle.

Born on board a steamer flying the British flag, while on the high seas, with a Filipino woman for mother and a Chinese merchant for father, questions may arise in the future as to the proper nationality of a baby girl, who saw the light on the steamer Taming which arrived at Manila from Hongkong recently. On the official report forwarded by the British Consul to the official registrar of births at London, the name of the mother is given as Anastasia, a native of Iloilo, Panay, and that of the father as So Ong, a Chinese merchant of Amoy, residing at Iloilo, Panay. Removal of Passport Restrictions in Java.

For many years past the Chinese born in Java have endeavoured to induce the N.I. Government to discontinue the income passport and residence restrictions which have been prevalent in the Colonies for long past. It was only possible to travel with permission of Government or reside in any part of a town after permission had been granted by those in authority. The older school of Dutchmen considered that the free movement and liberty of the Java-born Chinese, Arabs and others, constituted a danger to the security of the islands. April 1 is to see all these antiquated rules banished and Java-born Chinese will be allowed to travel without hindrance and reside in any part of the island they desire. Doubtless the observations made by Mr. W. J. Oudendijk, the adviser in Chinese affairs at Batavia, have contributed in no small measure to convince the Government that the old conditions were unfair and needed revision.—Exchange.

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GENERAL NEWS.

A Serum against Whooping Cough.

Dr. Kraus, of Buenos Aires, is reported to have discovered a serum against whooping cough. Shropshire Sergeant found Dead. Sergeant Herbert Stokes, of the 3rd Shropshire Light Infantry, who had returned from the front wounded, has been found shot dead with a rifle near him at Pembroke Dock.

Till After the War.

Owing to scarcity of labour and transport difficulties the directors of the Kent Collieries (Limited), owners of the colliery on the seashore under Shakespeare Cliff, Dover, have decided to suspend operations until after the war.

An Australian Peetrer.

The marriage took place last month in Cairo of Lord Loughborough, elder son of the Earl of Rosslyn, to Miss Sheila Chisholm, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Chisholm, of Sydney, Australia.

Manila Bureau of Science to be Abolished.

The Santos bill providing for the abolition of the Bureau of Science and the establishment in its stead of an Institute of Hygiene was passed by the Manila assembly last week, with an amendment authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to secure a staff of foreign experts for the bacteriological work required, under contract for a term not to exceed five years. The bill now goes to the Upper House for concurrence, says the Manila Bulletin.

Rejoicing in his Freedom.

Atlantic City, Dec. 21.—Mr. William L. Moise, former Philadelphia merchant, now chief of the city Bureau of Credit, to-night entertained at a freedom party in celebration of the victory he won yesterday, when Judge Ferguson, of Philadelphia, signed his decree of divorce, concluding a battle of two years. "The Pleasure of your Company is requested by William L. Moise at his Freedom Party, Tuesday Evening, December Twenty-first, at 8.30 o'clock, number Five, Dewey Apartments, Atlantic City. No Flowers. Thus read the invitation bequeathed to a half hundred friends. Those who accepted were his guests at a theatre party, followed by a wine supper.

The Japanese Coronation Buildings.

It is stated, says the Japan Chronicle, that a decision has been reached regarding the disposal of the buildings and other structures erected in Kyoto and Tokyo in connection with the recent Coronation of the Emperor. The Daijo Palace in Kyoto will be burned, while the building at Nijo, Kyoto, where the Coronation banquets were held, will be transferred to a public body of the city. Curtains, banners, musical instruments, and various other ritual articles used on the occasion of the Coronation ceremonies will be preserved at the Imperial Museums in Tokyo and Nara. The no-dance building and other structures erected within the Tokyo Imperial Castle will be transferred to some public body in the capital.

A YEAR AGO TO-DAY.

LEADING EVENTS IN THE GREAT WAR.

(Extracts from the war news contained in the "Hongkong Telegraph" of February 11, 1915.)

Martiz and the Germans. The Pretoria News announces that the Germans have executed the rebel leader Martiz for treachery.

The Use of the U.S. Flag. A message from Reuter's Washington correspondent states that he has it on the highest authority that the Administration's view of the hoisting of the United States flag on the Cunard lined Lusitania is that the use of other flags by the ships of the warring nations is such a customary practice that no formal protest need be made, but it is proper to send Great Britain a Note pointing out dangers to neutral shipping if the practice is continued.

German Socialists Want Peace.

At the opening of the Prussian Diet there was a crowded attendance. The Socialist member, Herr Hirsch, demanded a reform in the Government's policy regarding workmen, and declared that the termination of the war was demanded by all peoples. A Conservative member then made an appeal for unity, whereupon the Socialist, Dr. Liebknecht, interrupted with "You have no right to speak in the name of the people." A great commotion followed.

Russian Determination.

The enthusiasm exhibited in the Duma was a great contrast to the spirit prevailing in the Prussian Diet. It was unanimously resolved to salute the glorious exploits of soldiers and sailors, and to send the most cordial greetings to the Allies, declaring the inflexible determination of Russia to carry on the war until conditions have been imposed on the enemy assuring the peace of Europe and the restoration of right and justice. Speakers on behalf of the peasant said that the latter were willing to make any sacrifice to remove the German menace. The Liberal, M. Milinkoff, stated that he was convinced that in good time Russia would be guaranteed the acquisition of the Straits (the Dardanelles) and Constantinople, for military and diplomatic reasons. — (Prolonged cheers).

A One-Legged Recruit.

A man with a cork leg presented himself at the Hull recruiting office during the rush last month, passed through the usual formalities, and received the customary 2s. 9d. Though possessing an artificial limb, the recruit walked so well that his physical unfitness was not detected. The paymaster jokingly remarked that he did not think of concealing an assistant beneath the table to tap the legs of recruits.

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The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1916.

WAR ECONOMY.

The question of national economy has once again been raised by the announcement that a Treasury Committee "will probably shortly be appointed" to deal with the matter. And, if any Committee can help the end desired, we should say it was high time the body was created and set itself about the business. It was so far back as June last that a campaign on behalf of personal economy was started by a great meeting at the Guildhall, which was addressed by the Prime Minister and Mr. Bonar Law, and since that time, it hardly requires pointing out, the need for the practising of thrift has grown greater every day. Yet, can it be said that the point is even yet seriously realized? We saw it stated in one of the Home papers quite recently that theatres are still thronged, country roads are covered with a procession of motorists, and "lucid stories are afloat of the diamond rings, furs and pianos with which the workers are making the most of the first chance they have had of spending a surplus above the necessities of life." Some of these tales may need to be taken with a grain of salt, but we think it will hardly be disputed that voluntary saving, as a duty to the nation, is still rare.

Something has been done by the taxing of luxuries from abroad, but that does not, of course, touch the question of the waste of money which is going on in the purchasing of unnecessary at home. The point which does not seem to be fully comprehended is that as our Army grows in size—and it is growing tremendously under the Compulsory Service Act—the need for economy becomes all the greater. As it was well expressed by a writer in one of the London papers the other day, "every man that is enlisted means that the rest of us must save more, because, in the first place, there is a worker the less to make things that are wanted for the war, and, in the second, more things are wanted for the war because there is a fighter the more to be fed, clothed and equipped; and so we must go without things for ourselves so that those who worked for us may work for the war." What the people can do, and what they should do, is to save every shilling that they can and lend it to the Government. Five per cent. and one's money back in five years, are conditions which rob the sacrifice of any great merit. The investment of money in War Loans is, therefore, the least that is due to our country in this time of crisis. Every unnecessary shilling spent on ourselves is a present to the enemy, because the Government wants every shilling it can get to win the war.

In this matter of public economy, we in the Far East are perhaps rather inclined to find fault with the people at home—to blame the Government for failing to reduce official salaries, and the public for not conserving its money. But can it be said that we in Hongkong are making any very real sacrifices just now? His Excellency the Governor has already hinted that, in the disposal of any surplus money it has, the public of Hongkong should bear the War Loans in mind, and it has been announced that foreign residents will have an opportunity of taking up the new Loan free of Income Tax. So there can be no excuse if we fail to do our bit in this direction. There is ample room for economy in Hongkong, and it is surely about time that some organized effort were made to see that it is practised.

War Funds.

At a time when there are so many War Funds of one kind and another in existence it is well that the public should know, from authoritative quarters, those charities which are most deserving of support. It was a happy idea on the part of His Excellency the Governor, therefore, to cable to the Secretary of State for the Colonies as to what are the best objects to support from local subscriptions for purposes of war relief, and, at the same time, enquiring what articles are most required for the troops in the field and the wounded in hospital. The reply, which was published yesterday, brought to the notice of the Colony four specific Funds which are recommended by the War Office, only one of which, we believe, has been assisted by Hongkong—namely, the Soldiers' and Sailors' Help Society, to which, it is interesting to note, two parcels of men's clothing have been sent from the Colony during the present week.

Hongkong's Efforts.

It must not, of course, be assumed that the four charities named in the telegram are the only ones deserving of support. As we view the matter, the answer to Hongkong's enquiry merely means that these organisations merit special notice, in that, after investigation, they have been found to be doing really useful work. Those who have interested themselves in other Funds in the Colony are no doubt equally satisfied that these also deserve the assistance which they receive locally. And we have no doubt that they do. As to the type of article most needed, it is satisfactory to note that the list set out by the War Office shows that the ladies of Hongkong have been working along right lines, for there is scarcely a thing mentioned that Hongkong has not been in the habit of regularly supplying—unless it be mouth-organs! As we have said, the obtaining of the information sought was a wise step, and now it will be no difficult matter for the new War Charities Committee to put the whole matter of the Colony's charitable offerings on a thoroughly well-organised basis.

Flags.

Shanghai has hit upon a rather novel method of raising revenue, for we observe that the Municipality there has announced that in future a charge is to be made for the use of flags for decorative purposes. The Municipality has a stock of these emblems, of all nationalities, and its charges are as follows:—Three-yard British, Colonial and national flags, 25 cents each per day; two-yard British and Colonial flags, 10 cents each; three-yard banners, 15 cents each; and three-foot pennants, 5 cents for ten. The Hongkong Government could hardly take up this little side-line, we fear. In fact, we doubt if it even possesses enough flags for its own purposes—that is, if it were decided to hoist the national emblem over all Government buildings on Royal birthdays and the like. If it has, then we can only say that it admirably succeeds in hiding them from public gaze. We knew of a country Vicar at Home who kept a diary of all the birthdays of people of Royal blood and marked the events by flying the Union Jack from the Parish Church tower, never forgetting, of course, to announce the fact in the local paper. That was an excess of patriotic zeal, we admit. All the same, Hongkong can learn a lesson from this fervent country parson.

LANGKAT OUTPUT.

Messrs. Wright and Hornby advise us that the Langkat output for the current month is as follows:—
February 1 — — — Tons 222
" 2 — — — " 203
" 3 — — — " 188
" 4 — — — " 203
" 5 — — — " 181
" 6 — — — " 183
" 7 — — — " 181
" 8 — — — " 190
" 9 — — — " 157
" 10 — — — " 144
Total to 10th inst. 1,875
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DAY BY DAY

THESE IS A GREAT DEAL IN LIFE CRUELTY AND UGLIER THAN HELL—Foster's Proof.

The Weather.
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 48; dull. (1915, 66 dull.)
Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 55; dull. (1915, 73 dull.)

The Mails.
English Mail—Closed per a.s. Sardinia at 2 p.m. to-day.

The Dollar.
The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 1/11 5/16.

To-morrow's Anniversary.
To-morrow is the 97th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln.

Returned.
Mr. F. Bevington was a passenger by the Tago Maru, which arrived from Manila yesterday.

Sir Robert Ho Tung.
Sir Robert Ho Tung and family returned to the Colony from Shanghai by the a.s. Luchow to-day.

R. E. Dance.
The R. E. Entertainment Club is holding at dance in the R. E. Theatre to-night, commencing at 7.45 p.m. sharp.

The Tai O Pearls.
The Chinese who, it is alleged, is responsible for the theft of 205 pearls, valued at \$936, which were missed from Tai O, has been arrested.

Company Meetings.
To-morrow the shareholders' meetings of the Humphrey's Estate and Finance Co. and the Hongkong Hotel Co. are to be held, at noon and 12.30 p.m. respectively.

Men's Conference.
A Men's Conference will be held by the Rev. C. L. Cooper Hunt, C. F., in the Seamen's Institute (Wanchai) every Sunday afternoon from the 13th inst. onwards, until further notice, at 3 o'clock. All Service men are invited.

Hawkers Fined.

Two hawkers were charged before Mr. J. H. Wood at the Police Court this morning with not renewing their licences. Their excuses were so pitifully weak that the Magistrate was prompted to fine them \$4 each.

Sunshade Erection.

The case in which a Chinese applied last year to be permitted to erect sunshades on the top balcony of his house and whose application was refused, but who had done the work notwithstanding, was adjudged by Mr. Wood at the Police Court this morning.

Theft of Saltpetre.

Mr. E. Packham, Cargo Superintendent, prosecuted two Chinese in Mr. Hazeland's Court at the Magistracy this morning with stealing 90 lbs. of saltpetre, the property of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Defendants, who denied that they had stolen the stuff, were each sentenced to one month's hard labour.

Bound Over.

Two women entered into a pugilistic combat in Belchers Street last night, with the result they appeared before Mr. Hazeland at the Police Court this morning, charged with committing a breach of the peace. Each defendant was fined \$3 and was bound over in the sum of \$100 to keep the peace for twelve months.

For the Wounded.

We are requested to state that, an appeal having come from England for long white knitted heel-less stockings and white knitted skull-caps (to be worn by the wounded returning in ambulances from the front, for warmth, and for protection of bandages), Mrs. Phelps will be glad to receive the names of any ladies who will undertake the knitting of such articles. Wool, knitting needles, and printed instructions can be had from Mrs. Phelps, 12, The Peak, or at the City Hall on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday mornings between 10 and 12.30. Subscriptions for the purchase of material will also be welcomed.

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

CONFERENCES.

The Allies in the West.

If the long looked-forward-to big battle in the West is still postponed, there is yet plenty of evidence that neither side is asleep in that quarter. Indeed, Sir Douglas Haig and the French communiques describe the enemy as particularly busy, both with mines and also with big guns. It is noticeable, however, that there is not much to show for all his activity, for wherever he has made a score he has been very promptly called to order and punished by the Allies. Most of us would rather see a big stand-up fight than all this exchange of minor courtesies, albeit we ought, perhaps, to detect considerable matter for rejoicing in the fact that in spite of her re-inforced army in the West, Germany is still disinclined to "come out". And can her army actually be regarded as re-inforced, or is she merely making breathless efforts to fill some of the gaps caused by the recent fighting at the Frise? If Reuter's information is correct, her losses in that engagement must have been terrific. The next list of German casualties, covering the period from November 30 to the Frise affair, should provide some instructive reading, not only for the Allies but for the enemy as well.

The Day of Small Things.

Has the world got conferences on the brain? The German and Austrian naval chiefs are conferring, and the Kaiser and the King of Bulgaria are doing likewise. The Lord Mayor of Birmingham is calling together representatives of the Midlands to talk about air raids, the hyphenated Americans are talking about the blockade, French politicians are on their way to Italy to discuss, and a British mission has something to say to the King of Belgium. All this would not be complete were our dear friend the malcontent miner left out. Realizing his own importance and the likelihood that the world will stand still to listen to him, he must needs ventiliate his opinions on the subject of conscription! If the armies of old time had had to wait upon so much conversation we should still be anticipating Waterloo.

Is the Talk Leading to Anything?

Of course if the talkers could convince us that anything sensible and practical is being achieved by them, we should have no right to grumble. No one supposes that matters can go on without a certain amount of discussion, but there are evidently some people who think that the war can be won by words, and that the enemy can be persuaded to give up his knavish tricks by the same cheap weapon. If some of the talkers would get busy about finding a means for averting the German air raids on Britain, one would have a little more sympathy with them. At present, however, the only drop of comfort that we can squeeze out of it all is the fact that the enemy's conferences are, if anything, more innumerable and more pointless—as well as far more inspired by fear—than our own. Reuter hints at the possibility of peace overtures having been made by Germany to Belgium. That would not surprise us at all. Germany has tried Russia, and, in all probability, France, Britain and Italy; why should she not give Belgium a turn? Not that it is easy to see what Germany could have to say to Belgium. There is but one point in which King Albert is interested, and this could be discussed in about three words. He wants his country back again and full indemnity (as far as this is possible) for all his people's losses and sufferings. In return for this he could certainly promise to use his influence with the Allies towards a general peace, but that is all. If Germany is not prepared to do what the Belgian King has every right to demand, what other purpose than making herself additionally ridiculous in the eyes of the world can she be said to serve by approaching him?

THE FREIGHT MARKET.

Tonnage Scarcity Still Felt.

Messrs. Snowman & Co., in their freight circular dated February 5, state:—
Since issue of our last circular under date of 22nd ult. a fairly large amount of chartering business has been put through, however, the difficulties of obtaining tonnage are as great as ever. Regular lines—even at this time of the season—have sufficient good employment in their own sphere and Northern tonnage is not competing for Southern business unless at enhanced rates. The rate Saigon to this within the last fortnight has advanced from 37 cents to 55 cents, Saigon to Philippines from 60 cents to 75 cents per picul, and at the close the market is in a decidedly stronger position than it was this time last year, with every indication of rates considerably advancing shortly. It is interesting to recall that rates then stood Saigon to Hongkong at 18 cents and Saigon to Philippines at 30 cents respectively. It certainly looks as if the present "boom" is going to continue right throughout this season and charterers, realizing that very stiff rates are going to be secured by owners again this year, have taken additional boats on time-charter for long terms. Vessels taken up only a couple of months ago have now been re-chartered, as it seems for Bangkok/Strait trade, at extraordinarily high figures indeed. Besides this some 60 Norwegian well-known Coasters having changed hands in Norway are proceeding home shortly, where they can be employed more profitably than out here even at the present phenomenal high rates, and this should further strengthen our market after they have left these waters.

The North reports that the coasting trade is unusually brisk and instead of the usual drop in rates at this time of the year they are, if anything, firmer, and it is fully expected that they will go much higher immediately after the Chinese New Year holidays.

Saigon/Hongkong.—The past fortnight has—as foreshadowed in our last circular—witnessed quite a stir in our market in connection with Saigon freights, principally for Hongkong, and the keen demand for prompt tonnage caused rates to tend upwards to quite an appreciable extent. A steady demand still prevails for loading shortly after the holidays at 55 cents, but even at this figure owners are holding back. The highest rate Saigon to this during last year was paid in July, namely: 54 cents—and considering that this is now only the opening season it is hard to tell how high freights will go.

Rice exports from Saigon during last year amount to total 1,084,504 tons as compared with 1,292,369 tons during 1914 and 1,169,810 tons during 1913.

Quotation stands for February/March shipments at \$4.17 per picul. Saigon/Philippines.—Two settlements have come to pass during the interval under review, a Philippine owned vessel early in the fortnight at 55 cents per picul and just at the close a local vessel secured 75/77 cents per picul to 1 opt. 2 ports P. I. respectively.

Singor/Java.—The export prohibition seems not to have been withdrawn so far.

Bangkok/Hongkong.—In this direction also a couple of out-siders have been placed at 53/48 cents and 60/38 cents per picul for loading inside/outside bar respectively. It is generally anticipated that the rate will advance to 75/80 cents per picul within next fortnight.

Dalry/Canton.—No fresh chartering has transpired since last reported.

Coal Freight from Japan remains as firm as ever and tonnage is easily placed at Yen 3.50 per ton any size prompt and forward delivery.

Messrs. Snowman & Co.'s latest advices received from London, dated December 31, 1915, are as follows:—
Our last freight report was dated 17th instant.
This is our last issue of a most eventful year in the freight market during which rates have risen to a height never dreamt of, and the close of the year shows no prospects of any relief.

THE SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE.

Opening of Men's Club.

The Seamen's Institute, on the Praya East, was opened last night as a Men's Club for the 4th King's Shropshire Light Infantry and naval men, the event being marked by a splendid entertainment. There was a capital attendance, not only of military men but also of civilians, and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

An active part in the formation of the club has been taken by the Rev. C. L. Cooper Hunt, Military Chaplain, and the Rev. W. T. Featherstone, Naval Chaplain, whilst valuable assistance has been given by Mr. F. W. Everett, Lay Reader. The soldiers, too, entered into the spirit of the thing, and it is largely due to their co-operation that the Club gives every promise of being a huge success.

The premises are well-known in the Colony, and are admirably suited for the purposes of a Club. There is a splendid reading room, billiard room, and concert hall, together with a bar for refreshments. Assistance has been rendered financially by the Territorial Entertainment Fund.

The programme, which consisted of songs, etc., was of a capital nature, and the various items met with applause such as soldiers only know how to give. Mr. Sutherland, for his numerous contributions, was cheered to the echo, and had to return many times in answer to the incessant demands. The Hon. Mr. Pollock, K.C., Capt. Seales, Mrs. Biddell, Mr. A. J. England, Mrs. Cooper Hunt, and Lieut. Lewis, also came in for their just reward of applause. The event was in every way a success.

CRICKET.

Hongkong "B" v. Kowloon "A".

The following will represent Hongkong "B" v. Kowloon "A" on the Kowloon Ground on Saturday at 2.15 p.m.:—T. E. Pearce (Capt.), P. R. Butler, A. L. Gace, B. Kennedy, P. S. Leigh-Bennett, Lt.-Col. Morgan, H. E. Marial, F. Syme-Thomson, H. H. Taylor and A. Whitmarsh.

Far Eastern Trading.—There are still no fixtures to report, as charterers have been unable to keep up with other markets, and tonnage that is bound to Vladivostok to discharge has been chartered to leave in ballast for Kobe/Kang, and has secured 136/3 from this port. Japanese coal freights also are very much firmer, and steamers can secure 8 Yen to Singapore in conjunction with the rice freights obtaining so very much better results than the bean charterers can offer. Shanghai is still very anxious for tonnage for Sesame seeds, etc.

Philippines.—We have no fixtures to report from this market, but tonnage is still required.

Rice.—Considerably higher rates are now offering from the various rice ports, Saigon indicating 140/-. Kobe/Kang has paid up to 142/6; Barmah 135/-, but even at these figures charterers are finding it exceedingly difficult to secure tonnage.

India.—This market took another big jump, and 150/- on d.w. is reported to have been secured by a small Japanese steamer from Calcutta to Dunkirk with guaranteed discharge, net terms. Bombay paid up to 105/- U.K. 110/- States and Karachi 105/- Malacca Coast and Malabar Coast are also keen competitors for tonnage, and 160/- is indicated from the former.

Time Charter.—There has been quite a number of steamers chartered. The latest charters include a steamer, which boat obtained 47/8 with delivery U.K. second half January, and for 12 months Transatlantic trade 24/- has been paid with delivery U.K. For one round trip delivery U.K. redelivery Havre via States 32/- has also been paid.

INSUBORDINATE
ENGINEER.TROUBLE ON THE
S.S. WOLLOWRA.Chief Engineer's Certificate
Suspended.

A case of insubordination on the part of a Chief Engineer of a British ship, named the subject of an enquiry at the Marine Court this morning, when Warren Smith, Chief Engineer of the British steamer Wollowra, was charged with disobedience of orders and misconduct. The charges were brought against him by the master of the vessel, Capt. B.W.S. Pritchard.

Commander C. W. Beckwith, R.N. president, the other members of the Court being Commander F. Gibson, R.N., of H.M.S. Tamar; Capt. W. Davidson, master of the s.s. Empress of Russia; Mr. D. Macdonald, engineer; and Capt. H. E. Gilroy, master of the Namsang.

Commander Beckwith first read a letter which he received from the master of the Wollowra in which the master said that during the last voyage the Chief Engineer had absolutely defied him point blank, had refused to obey orders, and had grossly insulted him. He would be glad if Commander Beckwith would give him his assistance, for he thought that Smith wanted teaching a severe lesson. Commander Beckwith said it was subsequent to his receiving that letter that His Excellency the Governor had ordered the holding of the Court.

The accused was undefended. Evidence was first given by the master of the ship, who said that on February 1, the boat was moored in the river off Saigon, taking in cargo. The three British engineers were all on shore and the engine department was left in charge of a Chinese, who was shipped as fourth engineer. The three British engineers were on shore from 2 p.m. until 6.30 p.m. When Smith came on board at 6.30, witness asked him a letter saying that he objected to all the British engineers being on shore at one time. The letter stated: "I am more than surprised that you allowed the three engineers to leave the vessel at the same time, particularly when working cargo in all holds. A Chinese was left in charge of the engine department. I wish you to understand that I will not allow this to be done in future and one of the British engineers must be on board at all times that steam is on the boilers." On receiving that letter, Smith came to his room and threw the letter on the table and said that he considered that the fourth engineer was quite good enough to be left in charge, and that he was going on shore at once and that witness could do his "damnedest".

Witness told him that he should stop that sort of thing and Smith replied that he (witness) had no control over the engine-room staff. Witness called the Chief Officer, Mr. Coe, and the Supernumary Chief Officer, Mr. Wilson, and, in their presence, the Chief Engineer admitted that he said those things and added that witness could "log" him or do what he liked. Witness then told Smith that he could leave the ship on her arrival at Hongkong. On February 8, at Hongkong, witness sent a letter to the three British engineers saying they were not to leave the ship without first obtaining the permission of the Chief Officer, but on February 9, Smith did leave the ship without such permission. When he came back, witness spoke to him, and Smith said: "These instructions were only given to degrade me by making me ask permission to leave the ship."

In reply to Commander Beckwith, witness said that there had been minor things before, which he had had to complain about. Smith had been under him for about five months.

Evidence was next given by Mr. Coe, the Chief Officer who bore out the Captain's statement. Mr. Wilson, the Supernumary Chief Officer, also gave evidence.

Accused made a long statement to the effect that he went on shore to hurry up the charterers with the coal and water. When he left, everything was running quite all right. When he got back on

THE YAUMATI FERRY
COLLISION."Wai On" Coxswain's Certificate
Suspended.

At the Marine Court, this morning, Commander Beckwith, R.N., gave his decision in the enquiry into the circumstances attending the sinking of the Yaumati ferry boat, the Wai On, which came into collision with the Lee Sang, another ferry boat, on January 29.

In giving his decision, Commander Beckwith said: "I find that the steam-launch Wai On, on a voyage from Yaumati to Hongkong, was sighted by the steam-launch Lee Sang at or about 6.30 p.m. in the vicinity of H. M. S. Wivern off the naval Kowloon anchorage. At the time of sighting, the Wai On was showing two sidelights and a mast-head light, and was thus right ahead of the Lee Sang and steaming full speed. The Lee Sang at once altered course to starboard and gave a short blast, but, shortly after, seeing that the Wai On had starboarded, and that a collision was inevitable, went full speed astern and blew three blasts, but had not sufficient time to get the way off his launch Lee Sang, which hit the Wai On on the starboard side forward and damaged her to such an extent that she sank in some 15 minutes. It was clearly the duty of the Wai On, when he saw the Lee Sang ahead, to have altered course to starboard, so as to pass on the port side of the Lee Sang but, instead of doing this, the coxswain of the Wai On altered course to port, thus hauling across the bow of the Lee Sang, which had already obeyed the rule of the road, and altered her course to starboard. The collision was entirely due to the wrongful action of the coxswain in charge of the Wai On. I therefore order his certificate to be suspended for 12 months, at the end of which time a further examination must be passed before his certificate is returned."

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Commander Beckwith:—Have you ever left the ship with the Chinese engineer in charge when there was steam on the boilers?—Yes, twice.

The Court then proceeded to consider its finding. In giving the decision of the Court, Commander Beckwith said:—We have found the charges against you proved, and we consider that your conduct has been detrimental to good order and discipline. The Court wish to point out that there is only one master of a ship and that is the Captain, and it was clearly your duty to promptly obey any lawful order he gave. On two occasions you disobeyed those orders and treated him with gross disrespect. We therefore order that your Chief Engineer's certificate be suspended for a period of six months and that during such time a Second Engineer's certificate be granted you. Before the certificate is returned to you at the end of that six months, references from the master or masters whom you have served must be produced at this office, showing that you have obeyed their lawful commands to their entire satisfaction during that period.

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THE POLICE RESERVE.

Inspection by H.E. the Governor.

His Excellency the Governor (Sir F. Henry May, K.C.M.G.) inspected the Hongkong Police Reserve last evening, the occasion being the anniversary on which this increasingly useful and efficient body was formed. The inspection took place on the parade ground, Murray Barracks, a large crowd of interested spectators gathering together.

Assembling at the Volunteer Headquarters under Mr. F. C. Jenkin, the popular Deputy Superintendent of Police (Reserve), the men on parade, of whom there were over 400, marched to the parade ground to the strain of martial music provided by the band. Besides the main body of men there were also on parade the ambulance section, the maxim gun section, the three motor cyclist dispatch riders, and the two much-admired mascots. The whole body presented an extremely smart appearance.

This Excellency was accompanied by Major-General Ventris (General Officer Commanding), Capt. Hutchison, (A.D.C.), Capt. Cassel, Mr. C. Mc. I. Messer (Hon. Captain Superintendent of Police), the Hon. Mr. Cland Severn, (Colonial Secretary), the Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, C. M. G., the Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K. C., Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, Mr. P. P. J. Woodhouse, (D.S.P.), and Mr. T. H. King (A.S.P.).

Having formed up in review order and given the salute as the band played "God Save the King," the men were next inspected by His Excellency. Later the March past took place, a Union Jack forming the saluting base.

Forming three sides of a square the men were next addressed by His Excellency who said:—"It gives me great pleasure to see you here to day in such strength. This force is just a year old and now numbers over 500 strong. The last time I inspected you which was just before Major-General Kelly left the Colony in July last year, you were then only 321 strong, I think. This is the first occasion on which His Excellency the General Officer Commanding has had the opportunity of seeing you on parade, and as I have said before, the force is over 500 strong, about 400 being here to-day. I wish to take this opportunity of again expressing my high appreciation of the public spirit which has animated all ranks of this force in coming forward and assisting the Government during this crisis. I very much appreciate the good work you have put in and I also very much appreciate the fact that your services—the services of everyone of you, have been given entirely gratuitously for the Government. Nobody receives a single cent for the work that is done. That is a very gratifying thing in connection with this Corps. I may also take this opportunity of expressing my high appreciation of the work which Deputy Superintendent of Police Mr. Jenkin has done in organising and bringing this force to such a high state of efficiency which I have found during several months now passed."

On the call of Mr. Jenkin, three cheers were given for His Excellency, a procedure in which the two mascots joined by loud barking.

The men were next marched back to the Volunteer Headquarters, where they were dismissed.

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TELEGRAMS.

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(Reader's Service to The "Telegraph.")

London, Received, February 11. Reuter's correspondent at Cairo states that Miss Irene McMahon, daughter of the High Commissioner (Lieut.-Col. Sir Arthur Henry McMahon, G.C.V.O.) has been married to Captain K.A.G. Evans-Gordon, of the 39th King George's Own Central India Horse.

The Sultan gave a banquet in honour of the couple.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

RAILWAY PRESIDENT'S
DEATH.

London, Received, February 10. The death is announced of Sir Charles Rivers Wilson, G.C.M.G., who has been President of the Grand Trunk Railway, Canada, since 1895.

S.S. TEXAS ON FIRE.

London, Received, Feb. 10. The steamer Texas was reported on February 7, 500 miles south-west of the coast of Ireland steaming for Queenstown, Sereely afire.

DUTCH CABINET CHANGE.

London, Received, February 10. Reuter's correspondent at the Hague reports that Doctor Anton van Gyn, Treasurer-General of the Department of Finance, has been appointed Minister of Finance.

RUBBER GROWERS
ASSOCIATION.

London, Received February 10. The Rubber Growers Association's yearly report makes out a strong case for preparing a submission to the Treasury regarding excess profits and duty. It is hoped that a substantial concession will be made.

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SHANGHAI, Moji, and Kobe	\$Penang Maru Capt. Kishibiki	{THURSDAY, 24th Feb.
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SHANGHAI, Kobe, and Yokohama	\$Kaga Maru Capt. Tsuda	{MONDAY, 14th Feb.
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to bankers and merchants in the
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the fact that the vessel was sunk
on 23rd December, and on 24th
December by the following mail
per s.s. Medina the London
houses of most local firms posted
duplicates of the mail, including,
in one specific case, the invoices
and shipping documents of one
of our clients. With the excep-
tion of two steamers the s.s.
Maharaja and s.s. Australia,
these documents will arrive of
Calcutta before the goods can be
landed and it is to be hoped that
other merchants are equally well
served by their London houses,
notwithstanding the depletion of
staff due to the war. The ship-
ping agents in Calcutta are now
advertising in the daily press the
terms upon which they are pre-
pared to deliver goods found upon
their steamers for which there
are no bills of lading in hand;
and, at the same time, they an-
nounce the unfortunate fact that
the majority of their original
manifests have also been lost.

We have ascertained by enquiry
that telegrams have been sent to
Calcutta to get up by post the
captain's copy of the manifests
which will be sufficiently accurate
for immediate purposes and, to-
gether with information obtained
from consignees in Calcutta, will
enable the agents to file with the
Customs House a serviceable re-
plica of the original for temporary
use. To protect themselves from
other unscrupulous persons be-
sides German pirates, the shipping
agents require an indemnity
bond countersigned by a bank
and bearing a revenue stamp
of eight annas in lieu of, and
in the absence of the
usual documents. On receipt
of this, they will grant delivery
orders for the goods claimed. It
then becomes necessary—why
we do not know—to give another
indemnity bond also countersig-
ned by a bank to the Port Com-
missioners, bearing an "ad
valorem" revenue stamp which
amounts to Rs. 5 if the value of
the goods exceeds Rs. 900. In
this case several consignments
belonging to one owner may be
entered in a single bond—which
is a fact worth knowing. The
reason for this indemnification
backed by our friends the bank-
ers arises, we suppose, from the
uncertainties of commercial law.
In one sense the goods belong to
the shipper, in another they be-
long to the banker, who has
advanced money upon them; or
they may belong to the consignee
because he has already paid for
them. Then again, the carriers
would be responsible for the value
if they delivered to the wrong
party, and we suppose the same
remark applies to the Port
Commissioners; but why they
cannot be satisfied with the
shipping agents' clean order
knowing well that there is an
indemnity bond behind it, we fail
to see; and we also cannot under-
stand why Act I of 1879, clause
28, schedule I, demands an "ad
valorem" stamp duty for an en-
tirely unnecessary document. We
trust, however, that our paternal
government will, in the persons
of their Customs officers, exercise
a kindly discretion as to the
descriptions which will be found
in the patched-up manifests and
invoices which will be presented
to them during the next few
weeks. Misdescription carries
heavy penalties when it could
have been avoided by ordinary
care and honesty; but it must not
be penalised when it is caused by
circumstances beyond our control.
In conclusion, it must be said that
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uated than any other Eastern city
in this matter, being served by an
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SPORE, Pang & Cotta	Namsang	Sat.	12th Feb. at 3 p.m.
MANILA	Loongsang	Sat.	13th Feb. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Choysang	Sun.	13th Feb. at d'light
SHANGHAI	Wosang	Tues.	15th Feb. at d'light
HOIHOW & Haiphong	Loksang	Thur.	17th Feb. at 8 a.m.
TIENSIN via Wai	Chipshing	Thur.	17th Feb. at d'light
SHANGHAI	Hopsang	Thur.	17th Feb. at d'light
SHANGHAI	Kwongsang	Sun.	20th Feb. at d'light

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VESSELS LOADING AND TO LOAD.

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Destination.	Vessel's Name.	For Freight Apply To	To be Despatched.
Genoa	Glenlogan	B. & S.	12, Feb.
London & Ports	Kansas	B. L. Ltd.	15, Feb.
London and Ports	Mongara	P. & O.	15, Feb.
Liverpool	Ping Suey	B. & S.	20, Feb.
London	Knight C.	B. & S.	21, Feb.
London via Port	Namur	P. & O.	24, Feb.
London & Cape Town via Ports	Hibachi M.	N.Y.K.	24, Feb.
London	Glenstrae	S.T. & Co.	Mar.
London	Protesilau	B. & S.	6, Mar.
London via Ports	Nore	P. & O.	29, Mar.

NEW YORK, SAN FRANCISCO AND CANADA.

San Francisco	China	C.M.S.S.	12, Feb.
San Francisco	Tjimonari	J.C.J.L.	14, Feb.
San Francisco	Tengy M.	T.K.K.	15, Feb.
San Francisco via Manila & Japan	Monteagle	C.P.R.	16, Feb.
Victoria, B.C. & Seattle	Kura M.	N.Y.K.	22, Feb.
San Francisco via S'hai & Japan etc.	Nippon M.	T.K.K.	29, Feb.
New York via Cape	Egrement C.	D. & Co.	Feb.
San Francisco via S'hai & Japan etc.	Dairen M.	T.K.K.	3, Mar.
Victoria, B.C. & Seattle	Tamba M.	N.Y.K.	7, Mar.
Seattle	Titan	B. & S.	9, Mar.
San Francisco via S'hai & Japan etc.	Anyo M.	T.K.K.	11, Mar.
San Francisco	Kaimoen	J.C.J.L.	13, Mar.
San Francisco via Shanghai & Japan	Shinyo M.	T.K.K.	14, Mar.
Vancouver	E. of Russia	C.P.R.	23, Mar.
Seattle	Irion	B. & S.	23, Mar.
New York	Indrasamha	S.T. & Co.	Mar.
Vancouver	E. of Japan	C.P.R.	5, Apr.
San Francisco via S'hai & Japan etc.	Chiyo M.	T.K.K.	8, Apr.
San Francisco	Tjikemang	J.C.J.L.	11, Apr.
San Francisco via S'hai & Japan etc.	China	C.M.S.S.	14, Apr.
San Francisco	Persia M.	T.K.K.	21, Apr.
San Francisco	Arakan	J.C.J.L.	12, May.

AUSTRALIA.

Sydney & Melbourne via Manila	Aki M.	N.Y.K.	15, Feb.
Australian Ports via Manila	Taiyuan	B. & S.	23, Feb.
Sydney & Melbourne via Manila	Pango M.	N.Y.K.	14, Mar.
Australian Ports via Port Darwin	St. Albans	G. L. Co.	15, Mar.
Australian Ports via Port Darwin	Empire	G. L. Co.	8, Apr.
Sydney & Melbourne via Manila	Nikko M.	N.Y.K.	14, Apr.
Australian via Manila	Eastern	G. L. Co.	29, Apr.

SINGAPORE, COAST PORTS AND JAPAN.

Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Namsang	J. M. Co.	12. Feb.
Batavia	Tjimonok	J.C.J. L.	12. Feb.
Manila	Loongsang	J. M. Co.	12. Feb.
Shanghai	Choysang	J. M. Co.	13. Feb.
Shanghai and Japan	Alcinous	B. & S.	13. Feb.
Bangkok	Quarta	B. & S.	13. Feb.
Shanghai	Luchow	B. & S.	13. Feb.
Matassar and Soerabaya	Tjikini	J.C.J. L.	14. Feb.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Kaca M.	N. Y. K.	14. Feb.
Batavia, Sourabaya etc.	Borneo M.	D. & Co.	15. Feb.
Shanghai and Japan	Demodocus	B. & S.	15. Feb.
Calcutta etc.	Jinsen M.	N. Y. K.	15. Feb.
Shanghai	Wosang	J. M. Co.	15. Feb.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haiching	D. L. Co.	15. Feb.
Haiphong	Swukiang	B. & S.	15. Feb.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Huichow	B. & S.	15. Feb.
Shanghai	Yingchow	B. & S.	15. Feb.
Calcutta and Ports	Japan	D. S. & Co.	15. Feb.
Bombay etc.	Kirin M.	N. Y. K.	17. Feb.
Ho'how and Haiphong	Loksang	J. M. Co.	17. Feb.
Tientsin and Weihaiwei	Chipshing	J. M. Co.	17. Feb.
Shanghai	Hopsang	J. M. Co.	17. Feb.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haichong	D. L. & Co.	18. Feb.
Shanghai & Ports to Yokohama	Nankin	P. & O.	19. Feb.
Shanghai and Japan	Machaon	B. & S.	19. Feb.
Calcutta and Ports	Fulkala	D. S. & Co.	19. Feb.
Singapore, via Amoy and Swatow	S. Jacob	J. C. J. L.	20. Feb.
Shanghai	Kwongsang	J. M. Co.	20. Feb.
Shanghai and Japan	Teiresias	B. & S.	22. Feb.
Manila	Titan	B. & S.	22. Feb.
Shanghai & Ports to Yokohama	Nore	P. & O.	22. Feb.
Moji, Kobe & Yokohama	Kiojun M.	D. & Co.	23. Feb.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Miyazaki M.	N. Y. K.	24. Feb.
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Penang M.	N. Y. K.	24. Feb.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Ceylon M.	N. Y. K.	25. Feb.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Kitano M.	N. Y. K.	25. Feb.
Belawan, Deli (Medan) via S'atow	Spilbergen	J. C. J. L.	25. Feb.
Kobe	Tjilwong	J. C. J. L.	26. Feb.
Shanghai & Ports to Yokohama	Novara	P. & O.	26. Feb.
Shanghai	Tjitaroen	J. C. J. L.	28. Feb.
Bombay etc.	Rangoon M.	N. Y. K.	28. Feb.
Calcutta etc.	Tosa M.	N. Y. K.	4. Mar.
Shanghai & Ports to Yokohama	Malta	P. & O.	11. Mar.
Manila	Irion	B. & S.	13. Mar.

MOVEMENT OF
STEAMERS.

AMERICAN MAIL.

The T.K.K. s.s. ANTO MARU will next leave Hongkong on March 10, 1916.
The T.K.K. s.s. TENYO MARU sailed on the 30th Nov. at noon—This steamer will next leave Hongkong on Tuesday the 15th February 1916 at noon.

CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. s.s. EMPRESS OF JAPAN left Kobe on Wednesday the 10th Feb. at noon.

ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. Outward Mail Steamer MALWA with the London Mail of the 27th January last, left Suva on Sunday evening the 6th instant.

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The s.s. FULTALA left Calcutta on the 10th inst. and may be expected here on or about the 16th inst.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.

Yuenyang, Br. s.s. 1,735, W. M. Masony, 1st Feb.—Manila, 29th Jan. Gen.—B. & S.	
Kaifong, Br. s.s. 937, J. B. Evans, 2nd Feb.—Haiphong, 30th Jan. Gen.—B. & S.	
Singaporean, Br. s.s. Sanderson, 4th Feb.—Saigon, 28th January, Rice—Chinese.	
Changku, Br. s.s. 1,334, J. Speed, 4th Feb.—Bangkok, 28th Jan. Gen.—B. & S.	
V. Spilbergen, Dut. s.s. De Wond, 6th Feb.—Singapore, Gen.—J.C.J.L.	
Derawang, Br. s.s. 1,047, C. W. Shearer, 6th Feb.—Saigon, 2nd Feb. Rice & Mail—Chinese.	
Kaiping, Br. s.s. 1,605, Macfarland, 7th inst.—Chingwantao 1st inst. Coal—D. & Co.	
Derwent, Br. s.s. 1,542, J. Jenkins, 7th inst.—Saigon, 3rd inst. Rice—Chinese.	
Nevis, Norw. s.s. 904, J. Sobbe, 7th inst.—Saigon, 2nd inst. Rice—T. & Co.	
China, Am. s.s. 3,186, F. E. Frazier, 8th Feb.—San Francisco, General—China Mail S.S. Co.	
Telemachus, Br. s.s. 1,350, A. Fraser, 8th inst.—Saigon, 3rd inst. Rice—Chinese.	
Renaldi, Br. s.s. 1,979, J. H. Mason, 8th inst.—Saigon, 2nd inst. Gen.—G. L. & Co.	
Loongsang, Br. s.s. 1,953, Leath, 8th inst.—Manila, 5th inst. Gen.—J. M. & Co.	
Hiroshima Maru, Jap. s.s. M. Demuchi, 9th Feb.—Mororan, Coal—N.Y.K.	
Tenyo Maru, Jap. s.s. 5,233, S. Togo, 9th Feb.—Manila, Gen.—T.K.K.	
Monteagle, Br. s.s. 3,953, A. J. Bailey, 10th Feb.—Shanghai, 7th Feb. Gen.—C.P.R.	
Hondaga, Am. s.s. 1,845, E. Bazan, 10th Feb.—Bangkok, 2nd Feb. Rice—Chinese.	
Shinkoku Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,190, Y. Kuchik, 10th Feb.—Moji, Gen.—N.Y.K.	
Akita Maru, Jap. s.s. 4,952, T. Satow, 10th Feb.—Shanghai, 7th Feb. Gen.—N.Y.K.	

VESSELS DUE.

Agents.	Vessel's Name.	Tonnage.	Date Dns.	From.
N.Y.K.	Tango Maru	13,500	Feb. 11	Anstralia
P. & O.	Sardinia	6,574	Feb. 11	Yokohama
N.Y.K.	Kirin Maru	8,000	Feb. 12	Kebe
J.C.J.L.	Tikini		Feb. 12	Shanghai
B. & S.	Alcinous	6,748	Feb. 12	Liverpool
N.Y.K.	Aki Maru	13,500	Feb. 13	Australia
N.Y.K.	Jinsen Maru	8,000	Feb. 13	Yokohama
N.Y.K.	Kamakura Maru	12,500	Feb. 13	Yokohama
P. & O.	Mongara	8,250	Feb. 14	Yokohama
N.Y.K.	Miyazaki Maru	16,000	Feb. 14	London
T.K.K.	Tenyo Maru		Feb. 15	San Francisco
B. & S.	Demodocus	6,689	Feb. 15	Liverpool
D.S. & Co.	Fultala		Feb. 15	Calcutta
T.K.K.	Titan	8,979	Feb. 18	Seattle
B. & S.	Nippon Maru	11,000	Feb. 19	San Francisco
P. & O.	Machaon	6,737	Feb. 19	Liverpool
G. L. & Co.	St. Albans	6,853	Feb. 20	London
B. & S.	Taiyuan		Feb. 20	Australia
B. & S.	Glenstrae	3,054	Feb. 20	London
P. & O.	Ping Suey	6,458	Feb. 20	Yokohama
B. & S.	Teresias	7,603	Feb. 21	Liverpool
B. & S.	Knight Companion		Feb. 21	Yokohama
J.C.J.L.	Tjilwong		Feb. 22	Makassar
J.C.J.L.	Tjikarom		Feb. 22	Batavia
N.Y.K.	Hibachi Maru		Feb. 23	Yokohama
N.Y.K.	Penang Maru	8,000	Feb. 23	Singapore
P. & O.	Namur	6,701	Feb. 23	Yokohama
N.Y.K.	Ceylon Maru	12,500	Feb. 24	Calcutta
N.Y.K.	Kitano Maru	16,000	Feb. 24	London
P. & O.	Novara	6,550	Feb. 25	London
N.Y.K.	Rangoon Maru	8,000	Feb. 26	Kobe
N.Y.K.	Tamba Maru	12,500	Feb. 27	Seattle
T.K.K.	Anyo Maru	18,500	Mar. 1	Seattle
N.Y.K.	Titan	8,979	Mar. 1	Manila
P. & O.	Tosa Maru	12,000	Mar. 2	Yokohama
N.Y.K.	Yokohama Maru		Mar. 4	London
T.K.K.	Shinyo Maru		Mar. 6	San Francisco
B. & S.	Protesilau	9,547	Mar. 6	San Francisco
N.Y.K.	Bombay Maru		Mar. 8	Bombay
N.Y.K.	Benten Maru		Mar. 9	Calcutta
J.C.J.L.	Karimoen		Mar. 9	Java
B. & S.	Irion	10,221	Mar. 9	Seattle
P. & O.	Nankin	6,853	Mar. 10	Yokohama
P. & O.	Malta	6,064	Mar. 11	London
N.Y.K.	Tango Maru	13,500	Mar. 13	Australia
P. & O.	Nore	6,703	Mar. 14	Yokohama
G. L. & Co.	Empire		Mar. 15	Australia
T.K.K.	Persia Maru		Mar. 21	San Francisco
B. & S.	Irion	10,221	Mar. 21	Manila
P. & O.	Sardinia	6,580	Mar. 24	Yokohama
G. L. & Co.	Novara	6,550	Mar. 24	London
G. L. & Co.	Eastern		Apr. 6	Australia
J.C.J.L.	Tjikemang		Apr. 7	Java
N.Y.K.	Nikko Maru	9,600	Apr. 13	Australia
J.C.J.L.	Arakan		May 8	Java

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Tjimonari	JAVA	9th Mar. 1916	14th Mar. 1916	San Francisco
Karimoen	JAVA	13th Apr. "	18th Apr. "	do
Tjikemang	JAVA	17th May, "	22nd May, "	do
Arakan	JAVA	21st May, "	26th May, "	do

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

EXTRA

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1916

LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph"]

GERMANY OFFERS PEACE TO BELGIUM.

RESTORATION OF COUNTRY PROMISED.

February 9, 2.40 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent in Rome, it is stated that Germany has offered Belgium peace terms, including the restoration of the country, its return to King Albert and the payment of a large indemnity in exchange for economic and commercial privileges which would practically transform some of the Belgian ports, especially Antwerp, into German traffic centres.

THE SERBIANS.

SUCCESSFUL REARGUARD ACTION.

February 9, 2.40 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Corfu states that, according to a Serbian communiqué, the Austrians are continuing to advance towards Durazzo. In a rearguard action on the 2nd inst. the Serbians repulsed the Austrians, killing many and capturing a hundred.

THE PARIS RAID.

ONE ZEPPELIN LOST.

February 9, 2.40 p.m.
The *Echo de Paris* reports that a Zeppelin which participated in the raid on Paris collided with trees and houses at Ligne on January 29 and was destroyed. The crew was killed.

BOSTON MERCHANT'S IGNORANCE.

Fined \$300 for Importing Arms.

That it is a costly business to import arms into the Colony, was this morning fully driven home to the mind of a Chinese who it was stated had been a merchant in Boston for many years. He was charged with importing into the Colony one revolver and 300 rounds of ammunition from Boston into Hongkong. Mr. W. B. Hind appeared for the defendant, and said his client had resided in Boston, where he had carried on the business of a merchant, for the past 32 years, and was on his way to China. Before leaving America, for his own protection, he purchased a revolver and some rounds of ammunition. What prompted him to purchase the articles was that two of his nephews had been attacked and held to ransom in the Kwangtung estuary by pirates last year, and the defendant not wishing to meet with a similar fate, merely took what he considered to be necessary precautions, with what effect they could see. Defendant sent his goods on ahead to the King Ling Lee shop to be kept in their care until he arrived in Hongkong. These friends, apparently, went through his boxes and discovered the revolver and ammunition, and straightway went and informed the police of their find. This was not one of those cases where a man was importing a revolver into the Colony for sale, and he (Mr. Hind) would not that nominal penalty be imposed. In many of these cases men from abroad did not know it was against the law to bring arms into the Colony, and he thought it might be made more widely known.

His Worship:—I think it is widely known.

POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.

Orders issued to-day by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, D.S.P., (Reserve)

Musketry.
The arrangements made for Sunday 13th inst. are cancelled. No firing will take place on that date.

Band and Orchestra.
All members are required to attend at the Club Lounge at 8 p.m. sharp on Monday, February 14th inst.

Departed.
Mr. W. G. Darby left by the Homegoing s.s. Sardinia to-day.

Discharged.
On a charge of endeavouring to procure a Chinese woman for illegal purposes, a Chinese defendant by Mr. Mason was this afternoon discharged by Mr. J. R. Wood.

P.C. Clarke stated the police were given information that some baggage had come to a shop in the Colony and in the baggage it was said there was a revolver and some ammunition. The friends of the defendant did not open the box, but those friends, who had been in trouble with the police for the same thing, did not wish to be caught a second time and so gave information. The defendant travelled on a later boat than the one carrying his baggage. The police got to know of the matter also by the bill of lading, and it was found, when the box was opened, that the box containing the revolver and ammunition had been placed in an iron stove, and covered over with straw.

A fine of \$300 was the defendant's reward for his ignorance of the law.

HONGKONG'S ENLISTED POLICE.

Comments and Illustrations in Home Papers.

The Home papers to hand by the latest mail contain many references to the arrival in England of the Hongkong Police contingent which recently left the Colony to join the army. The *Manchester Guardian* of December 31 publishes a large picture showing a group of the men assembled near Whitehall, while the *Daily News* of the same date has a photograph of two of the men with their "scillywog" mascots tied to their rifles.

The following is from the *Manchester Guardian* of December 31:—"Between thirty and forty members of the Hongkong police who have volunteered for active service landed at Devonport on Wednesday, after having travelled 12,000 miles in order to enlist. They spent yesterday in London, where their neat blue uniforms with white facings and their large white helmets attracted much attention. They have been allowed a fortnight's leave to visit their relatives and friends before joining the colours."

The same paper, in a comment, says:—"In these days, when the top of any 'bus is a collection of samples of the British Empire, with a sprinkling of France and Belgium thrown in, few of us have the curiosity to turn round and look at any new soldier type. But even war-jaded Londoners took interest this morning in the arrival at Scotland Yard recruiting office of the men of the Hongkong police who had travelled some 12,000 miles to enlist. They were neat navy blue with white facings, and pith helmets. They were all either Englishmen or Scots. They had not the faintest notion what regiments to join, and they said they did not mind what job they were put to so long as they were not asked to twiddle their thumbs. An exception to this accommodating attitude was one of the Scots, a lad originally from Dundee, who said there was nothing but the kilts for him: I am for joining the Black Watch. Some of them were formerly policemen in England, and there were a good many tough old soldiers among them. The Hongkong community took great interest in their journey, and gave them a dinner before they set off and played them away to the water-side with the pipe and brass bands of an Indian regiment."

The *Daily News* of December 31 says:—"A picturesque group of recruits arrived in Whitehall yesterday, having travelled 12,000 miles to take part in the defence of the Empire. They were a contingent of the Hongkong Police, consisting of 21 police officers, 5 warders, and 5 members of the Hongkong Royal Naval Dockyard Police, and there were also a sanitary inspector and a railway guard. They left Hongkong on November 19, and arrived at Devonport on Wednesday. They immediately proceeded to London, and from Paddington were conducted to the Crown Office for the Colonies, Whitehall, where arrangements were made in connection with their enlistment."

An Interesting Religious Anniversary.

One of our readers writes to say that to-day is the 58th anniversary of the first apparition of the Immaculate Conception at Lourdes. The anniversary is being observed in all the Catholic churches of the Colony, and we understand that an especially solemn function is taking place in connection therewith at Massau, where a similar grotto to that at Lourdes was erected some time ago.

SHARE MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Up to the Minute.

Yangtzeses.—\$250, buyers.
Douglases.—\$127, sellers.
Indo-China (Combined).—\$188, sellers.
Indo-China (Deferred).—\$137, sellers.
Indo-China (Preferred).—\$54, sellers.
Star Ferries.—\$37, buyers.
China Sugars.—\$132, sales.
Railways.—30, buyers.
Kowloon Dock.—(Old) \$39, buyers ex r.
Kowloon Dock.—(New) \$85.
Shanghai Docks.—Tia. 61, buyers.
Hongkong Wharves.—Tia. 93, buyers.
Hongkong Hotels.—\$115.
Light and Powers.—\$460.
Cements.—\$10, buyers.
Langkats.—Tia. 39, sellers.

THE YARN MARKET.

Speculative Business Reported.

Messrs. Polishwalla and Kotwall, in their yarn report dated February 10, state:—

The activity which in our last circular which is dated the 28th ult. became somewhat pronounced during the beginning of the fortnight and transactions to the tune of 4,200 bales were brought to a small premium on last rates. The New Year holidays have since interfered with business and no sales have transpired during the latter part of the period under report.

The demand so far has been to a certain extent speculative, prompted, as it appears to be, by sentimental considerations, and dealings have been confined only to a couple of buyers who have ventured operations in sanguine anticipation of an active revival of the country trade after the holidays otherwise the present conditions in the interior do not warrant any bolstering-up of the market.

There has not been much interest round No. 10s spinning. No. 12s have again enlisted attention and good lots of select styles have changed hands. Business in No. 20s has been insignificant. The market closes steady but on the quiet side the holiday feeling being not yet over. The Bombay market has all along been keeping much above the China market owing to stiff cotton and advancing freights and replacements are entirely out of the question.

Total sales 4,200 bales.
Stocks.—Unsold and undelivered in the godowns 63,000 bales.

Arrivals.—The mail str. Namur and extra str. Rangoon Maru from Bombay, have brought in 4,338 bales for Hongkong, and 3,400 bales for Shanghai. Shipments from Hongkong to Shanghai, coast ports &c. 500 bales.

Shanghai.—Has begun to look up, and sales are reported of good parcels at gradually advancing rates.

Japanese Yarn.—The market has firmed up \$2 to \$3 the following being the transactions heard of: 450 bales Yellow Joss No. 20s at \$129 1/4 at \$131; 100 bales Seta No. 20s at \$135 at \$136; 25 bales Three Horse No. 10s at \$127.

Raw Cotton.—No stock for Bengal. Chinese no sales. Quotations: Bengal \$22-\$27; Chinese \$30-\$34 per picul.

THE LONDON MISSION AND THE WAR.

An Appeal for Help.

The London Missionary Society, which has been associated with Hongkong since the British occupation, is faced with the almost certain prospect of having to surrender important work owing to the falling off of subscriptions on account of the war. The stations at Calcutta and Mirzapur are likely to be given up and almost every part of the Society's field will have to suffer more or less, a reduction of £10,000 in annual expenditure being contemplated, no means of making it being open except the out-and-out abandonment of certain posts. The agents and home staff of the Society have made great sacrifices and most of the foreign stations are at present understaffed, but these efforts do not suffice to save the situation.

An appeal is being made to individual supporters who are known to be making large extra profits on war work, but this is an uncertain step, and it is necessary for all friends of the work to come to the rescue if possible.

The Society was the first Protestant mission to gain a footing in China where its agent, Dr. Morrison, upheld the flag in solitude for a period of seventeen years, living at Canton and Macao acquiring the Chinese language in spite of extraordinary obstacles and laying the foundation of language study and Bible translation.

His colleague, Dr. Milne, denied access to China, established educational work in Malacca which was transferred to Hongkong under Dr. James Legge in 1843. This indefatigable worker, known at home as "Chinese Legge," followed up the work of his predecessor by his great edition of the Chinese Classics.

The Union Church in Hongkong began by services in his house and for many years was a branch of the Mission's work. The Lo Lai Church, in Hollywood Road, now a large and self-supporting congregation, was also founded by the Mission as well as churches at East Point and Waiwai and another, now also self-supporting, in Macao. From the first, medical work has been done, and the Society has now the only Medical Mission in the Colony, the well known Nethersole, Alice Memorial and allied hospitals. There is also a large girls' school in Bonham Road and a University Hostel in Hutton Road, whilst the lately established Ying Wah College is also connected with the Society. The annual collections are to be made at Union Church next Sunday, when it is to be hoped that friends in Hongkong will adequately respond to the appeal on behalf of Hongkong's oldest Mission in its time of need.

Contributed.

Bankruptcy.

At a Bankruptcy Court, held this afternoon by the Chief Justice (Sir William Ross Davies), a petition was granted against the Chee Sang firm, of 103, Wing Lok Street. An application was made for the order by Mr. Bang, on behalf of a creditor. The debtor firm was not represented.

Fancy Dress Dance.

A fancy dress dance will be held by the Royal Naval Cadet Club at the Royal Naval Canton on Tuesday, February 29. Dancing will take place from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Prizes will be offered to the lady wearing the most original and prettiest dress, and for gentlemen there will be prizes for the most original and comic costume.

POSSESSION OF MORPHINE.

Revenue Officers Hauled Over the Coals.

A Chinese was charged on remand, before Mr. Haselend at the Police Court this morning, with being in possession of 7 1/2 lbs. of morphine, valued at \$504, when going on board the s.s. Honam at the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company's Wharf.

Revenue Officer Wilden stated that it was about midnight when a Chinese Revenue Officer saw the defendant on the wharf and asked him what he had in the bundle he was carrying. The defendant undid it, and was told to repack it, which he did, but immediately bolted on to the s.s. Honam, where he was chased round and round the ship by two Filipino watchmen who, it appeared, caught him simultaneously, but there seemed to be a bit of jealousy between them as to who really was the captor.

A Chinese Revenue Officer stated that when the man ran on the ship he threw the bundle away from him and tried to jump over the rail.

His Worship:—The witness is piling on the agony a bit.

Revenue Officer Wilden:—Oh no, sir, I don't think so. You can jump from the ship on to the wharf.

Witness went on to say that he chased defendant a little way and then blew his whistle.

His Worship:—Who found the parcel?

Revenue Officer Wilden:—O. e. of the Filipino watchmen.

A Filipino watchman said he was on duty on the gangway when he saw the defendant coming up with a bundle under his arm. He ran on to the ship and sat down in a Chinese lady's cabin as though he were a passenger. Witness, who knew defendant as an opium smoker, thought there was something wrong with the bundle, caught hold of him and pointed a revolver at him.

His Worship:—I don't understand this. One witness says he caught him while he was running, and yet the other said he caught him sitting down.

Another watchman said the defendant was sitting in the third class, and had thrown the parcel away.

His Worship:—This is getting worse and worse.

Defendant denied that he was carrying the package.

His Worship said that owing to the extraordinary conflicting evidence the defendant would be discharged.

Defendant, by his looks, was both surprised and pleased, and lost no time in letting himself out of the dock. The look of pleasure, however, soon faded, for a couple of Chinese Revenue Officers pounced on him and were leading him away when Mr. Haselend, who was just leaving the Court, turned and saw the occurrence, and sharply instructed the interpreter to inform the Revenue Officers that once he had ordered a defendant's discharge he was to be let alone, and allowed to go his own way.

Rinderpest in Calocan.

Rinderpest, in unusually virulent form, has broken out recently in a barrio of Calocan, (Philippines) as a result of which three carabos are reported dead and five sick. The barrio has been visited by a veterinary surgeon of the Bureau of Agriculture, and it is understood that a quarantine has been established.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by the correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph"]

To the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.

GEOLOGY OF HONGKONG.

Sir,—"Devonian" in one of your numbers of December last inquired about a book dealing in the geology of Hongkong. "Hongkong," by Mr. Skelley, obtainable at Kelly and Walsh, is the best book on the subject.

Yours etc.

C. J. S.
Hongkong, Feb. 11, 1916.

FOOTBALL.

The following will represent the Diocesan School Old Boys' Association Football Club versus St. Joseph's Football Club on Saturday, on the Navy Ground, (kick-off at 2.30 p.m.):—H. Archie, P. S. Shak, H. Abbas, I. Abbas, B. Young, P. Pasco, A. Arculli, Ip Kwan, W. B. Markatt, N. Ramjahn and Lee Hon-kam. Reserves:—Edwin Gifford, H. W. Chan and R. Lee.

The following players will represent St. Joseph's College:—U. O'neil, L. Cordeiro and P. Hyndman (Capt.); H. Hamid, J. Smirke, and S. Marcell; R. Omar, H. Goldborough, C. Goldenberg, R. Hyndman and E. Hyndman. Reserves:—Sapher and Urgohart.

MESSRS. SETNA'S REPORT.

Messrs. S. D. Setna and Co., in their report dated February 10, state:—

Cotton.—Sales are reported of 500 packages at \$28 to \$30 per picul. Unsold stock about 1,500 packages. Closing quotations \$28 to \$30 per picul.

Lodien Yarn.—The clearance of the dark political horizon in the Yunnan Province and a subsequent healthy tone from the interior has brought a remarkable change in the yarn market. Sales during the past fortnight are reported of about 5,050 bales, comprising about 2,750 bales of No. 10s, 1,200 bales of No. 12s, 200 bales of No. 16s and 900 bales of No. 20s. Unsold stock is estimated at about 40,000 bales. Sold but uncleared stock is estimated at about 22,000 bales.

Sundry Articles.—Market ruled steady. Imports sales are reported in angkor at \$22/25 (per picul), annots at \$23/32 (per picul), Sheebols at \$9 (per picul), Borneal at \$166 (per picul), gun oilatum at \$10/16 (per picul), Halibore at \$20/24 (per picul), Kiamis at \$28/31 (per picul), Mavej at \$13 (per picul), Panchuck at \$150 (per picul), quicksilver at \$470 (per picul), musk at \$325 (per catty), Benzoin stone at \$250 (per catty), Aventurine stones at \$6/9 (per catty), and onions at \$2.20 (per basket). In exports the only commodity which shows a big rise in price is cassia, stock of which is almost exhausted. Purchases are reported in cassia at \$15/16 (per picul), green beans at \$4 (per picul), broken cassia at \$11 (per picul), galangal at \$8 (per picul), Munnal at \$13 (per picul), sugar candy at \$17 (per picul), turmeric at \$34/10 (per picul), fire-crackers at \$9 (per case), and preserves at \$5/8 (per box), closing quotations are as under:—

Generous Ceylon Planters.
A gift of 10,000 lb. of tea sent by the "Ceylon Tea Planters" Association has been distributed among soldiers and sailors' families in Manchester.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH SECOND EXTRA

HONGKONG FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1916.

LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph."]
INDIAN CIVIL SERVICE.

THE NEW APPOINTMENT RULES.

February 10, 3.55 p.m.
Mr. Chamberlain has issued an explanatory notice regarding the appointments in the Indian Civil Service under the new Act. He states that the concession whereby candidates with war service are permitted to make a deduction in age, extends to non-combatant service, provided it is non-commercial. Application for entry to the examinations for 1916 must be made before June 1. Mr. Chamberlain emphasises the point that only those are eligible for appointment by nomination, whose education and character would normally have qualified them for appointment, had they been successful in open competition.

As regards age Mr. Chamberlain says it had been provisionally decided that no candidate was eligible who was over 24 on August of last year. But this limit was open for reduction in the light of future circumstances.

THE GERMAN PEACE PROPOSAL.

THE BELGIANS DECLINE.

February 9, 4.30 p.m.
The *Journal d'Italie* states that King Albert has rejected the German peace proposals.

COLONEL HOUSE'S STATEMENT.

February 9, 4.30 p.m.
It is stated in New York that Colonel House, who is returning to America via Paris and London, learned in Berlin that Germany is willing to discuss peace on a *status quo ante bellum* basis, but that the Allies positively refuse.

GERMANY AND ROUMANIA.

STARTLING STATEMENT.

February 9, 4.30 p.m.
The *Corriere della Sera* believes that Germany is preparing a sudden blow against Roumania and will demand guarantees of neutrality. It urges the strengthening of the ties uniting Roumania to the Entente.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Corps Orders issued to-day by Lieut.-Col. A. Chapman, V. D., state:—

Leave.
Pte. G. A. Dutton is granted leave of absence from 18. 2. 16. to 18. 10. 16.

Parades.
Parades for Saturday, 12th inst. 7.30 a.m. Members of Signalling Section and other Signallers, as detailed in Signalling Section Order dated 8. 12. 15.—Morse flag and Heliograph practice at Headquarters.

2.30 p.m. Musketry, (Part 1 only), both Recruits and Trained men, at King's Park Range, as detailed in Corps order No. 3 dated 7. 2. 16. Four members of the Signalling Section will attend for telephone duty.

Remainder Nil.

Parades next week.
February 14th.—5.30 p.m. No. 2 Section Scouts Co. M. G. Instruction at Headquarters.

February 16th.—6.00 p.m. No. 1 Section Scouts Co. M. G. Instruction at Headquarters.

February 17th.—5.15 p.m. No. 4 Section Scouts Co. M. G. Instruction at Headquarters.

February 18th.—5.15 p.m. No. 3 Section Scouts Co. M. G. Instruction at Headquarters.

Remainder the same as this week.

Detail.
On duty until morning of 18th inst., H.K.V.R.

Next for duty.
February 18th Centre Section M. G. Co.

February 19th Civil Service Company.

February 20th No. 1 Section Artillery Battery.

February 21st Left Section M. G. Co.

February 22nd Right Section M. G. Co.

February 23rd No. 2 Section Artillery Battery.

February 24th Scouts Company.

March 3rd Scouts Company.

March 4th Scouts Company.

March 5th Scouts Company.

March 6th Centre Section M. G. Co.

EX-CONSTABLE IN COURT.

A Night in a Restaurant.

The hearing of the case in which a former Chinese constable stands charged, with two others, with being concerned in stealing money from the person of three complainants was resumed this afternoon. Mr. Shenton appeared for the defence.

The constable, in the witness box, said he heard a noise and went back, where he saw the first defendant who stated that the three complainants had been cheating him, and at the same time he showed him four dice. First defendant, said he had lost \$470 to the three complainants, and he complained at the same time of the dice being loaded. He (witness) then arrested the party.

Witness denied that he had used a truncheon, that he had smacked the first complainant on the face, or that he had taken money out of their pockets. He did not have a truncheon with him. He did not report the matter to the Inspector because they were not supposed to go into restaurants, and he was afraid he would get into trouble.

All the defendants were discharged.

Portuguese Candidate for Sanitary Board.
We understand that, at next Friday's Sanitary Board election, Dr. Ozorio will present himself as a candidate. Dr. Ozorio is a native of Hongkong and has been in regular practice in the Colony for four years. He is nominated by Mr. Leo d'Almada and seconded by Dr. Dalmahoy Allan.

March 7th Civil Service Company.
March 8th No. 1 Section Artillery Battery.
March 9th Left Section M. G. Co.
Ordinary Officer from 18th to 24th February Lieut. Preston.

COMPANY REPORT.

The Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.

The twenty-seventh report of the Board of Directors to the ordinary meeting of shareholders, to be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Building, at noon on Friday, February 18 states:—

The Directors now submit to you a statement of the affairs of the Company and balance sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1915.

The balance of Profit and Loss Account for the year, including \$2,078.80 balance brought forward from last account, after writing off all charges and expenses, amounts to \$15,849.87. The Directors recommend that a dividend of \$2.25 per share be paid, which, after providing for Directors' and Auditor's fees, will leave a balance of \$1,799.87 to be carried forward to the credit of a new Profit and Loss Account.

Directors.
Mr. A. Rodger having resigned, Mr. T. E. Pearce was invited to join the Board in his place and this appointment now requires confirmation. Messrs. T. E. Pearce and J. Rodger now retire by rotation and offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.
Mr. A. C. Hynes having resigned on leaving the Colony, Mr. H. Percy Smith, F.C.A., has been appointed in his place. The accounts have been audited by Mr. H. Percy Smith, who now retires and offers himself for re-election.

T. F. HOUGH, Chairman.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1916.

Balance Sheet.

LIABILITIES.

Nominal Capital 6,000

Shares at \$50 per share ... \$300,000.00

Issued Capital 6,000

Shares at \$30 per share Paid up ... 180,000.00

Accounts Payable ... 207.74

Dividends Outstanding ... 511.00

Balance of Profit and Loss Account ... 15,849.87

\$193,538.61

ASSETS.

Cost of Property ... \$183,752.95

Cash ... 9,829.15

Accounts Receivable 3,186.50

\$196,568.61

Profit and Loss Account.

To Charges ... \$817.47

To Repairs ... 1,933.25

To Fire Insurance ... 535.37

To Crown Rent ... 786.00

To Commission to Agents ... 1,145.07

To Balance carried down ... 13,771.07

\$19,038.23

To Balance to be appropriated as follows:—

Directors' Fees ... 500.00

Auditor's Fee ... 50.00

Dividend of \$2.25 per share ... 13,500.00

To be carried to New Profit and Loss Account ... 1,799.87

\$15,849.87

By Rent ... 18,899.23

By Interest ... 134.00

By Scrip Fees ... 5.00

19,038.23

By Balance brought down ... 13,771.07

By Balance from last Account ... 2,078.80

\$15,849.87

T. F. HOUGH, Directors.

J. RODGER, MOWBRAY S. NORTHGOTE.

Acting Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment and

YACHTING.

Royal Hongkong Yacht Club.

The results of the fourth of the series of Club Championship races which was postponed from 18th December and was sailed off on January 29th are given below:—

Handicap Class.
Course—Lyemun Beacon (P.), Kowloon Rock (P.), Mark Boat at Starting Line (P.), Lyemun Beacon (P.), Distance 10.5 miles.

Yacht	Time on Course	Finishing Time	Corrected Time
M.S. H.M.S. H.M.S.			

Diane.

Scratchless. 05 43.16 437.10

Rona. Scratch. 439.17 439.17

La Linda. 1.48 439.11 437.23

Kathleen. 6.18 447.58 441.40

Colleen. 7.12 445.17 438.05

Dorothea. 10.48 D.N.S.

Ayesha. 10.48 D.N.S.

Buccaneer. 16.12 D.N.S.

Position for Race to date.

1. Diane. 8 44

2. La Linda. 7 24

3. Colleen. 6 36

4. Rona. 4 42

5. Kathleen. 4 32

— Dorothea. — —

— Ayesha. — —

— Buccaneer. — —

One Design Class.

Course—Lyemun Beacon (P.), Kowloon Rock (P.), Mark Boat Quarry Bay (P.), Distance 8 miles.

Yacht	Time on Course	Finishing Time	Corrected Time
M.S. H.M.S. H.M.S.			

Ailsa. Scratch. 4.29.16 4.29.16

Daphne. " 4.28.12 4.28.12

Bonita. " D.N.S.

Haleyson. " 4.33.21 4.33.21

Position for Race to date.

1. Daphne. 5 24

2. Ailsa. 3 28

3. Haleyson. 2 10

— Bonita. — 5

Heyward Hays and Gael Classes.

Course—Lyemun Beacon (P.), Kowloon Rock (P.), Mark Boat Quarry Bay (P.), Distance 8 miles.

Yacht	Time on Course	Finishing Time	Corrected Time
M.S. H.M.S. H.M.S.			

Alice. Scratch less 40 D.N.S.

Lysbeth. Scratch less 1.20 4.43.50 4.45.10

White Rose. Scratch less 1.20 4.45.03 4.46.23

Owl. Scratch D.N.S.

Thecla. plus 40 4.46.19 4.45.39

Toinette. plus 40 4.47.29 4.46.49

Position for Race to date.

1. Lysbeth. 7 33

2. Thecla. 5 18

3. White Rose. 4 29

4. Toinette. 3 20

— Alice. — 17

— Owl. — —

Agency Co., Ltd., Agents for the Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.

I report that I have audited the above Balance Sheet with the Books and Vouchers of the Company and that in my opinion such Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs at the 31st December, 1915, according to the best of my information and the explanations given me, and as shown by the Books of the Company.

I have obtained all the information and explanations I have required.

H. PERCY SMITH, F.C.A. Auditor.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1916.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

GEO. P. LAMMERT.

AUCTIONEER, SHARE &
GENERAL BROKER.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Liquidators of Messrs. F. Blackhead & Co. to sell by Public Auction on

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY,
the 16th & 17th February 1916
commencing each day at 11 a.m.

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A Large Quantity of Ship-chandler's Stores, etc., etc., comprising—

Brass check, angle and globe valves, brass elbows, tees, nipples, coupling and unions, brass and iron screws and split pins, iron and wooden blocks, engineers' and carpenters' tools, assorted files, engine packing, iron ware for ship use, canvas and rubber hose, paint, varnish and enamel, cooking stoves and utensils.

etc., etc., etc.

Also

1 Detachable motor, 2 H.P.
On view from Monday, the 14th February 1916.

Catalogue will be issued.
Terms: Cash on delivery.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

NOTICES.

VICTORIA RECREATION
CLUB.

BOXING.

Subject to sufficient entries being received, an Amateur Boxing Competition open to Hongkong will be held in the Gymnasium of the V.R.C. on Friday, February 25th.

Conditions: (a) 3 two-minute rounds. If undecided an extra round of one minute.

(b) In 3 weights: 118 lbs., 132 lbs. and 146 lbs.

(c) Competitors weigh in at V.R.C. on night of February 24th.

Entries Stating weight to be addressed to J. Deakin Esq. c/o V.R.C. before February 15th. No Entrance Fee.

No Competition if less than 18 entries.

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Hongkong, 19th March, 1890.

NOTICE.

THE LIVERPOOL & LONDON
& GLOBE INSURANCE
CO., LTD.

Hongkong Branch.
During the temporary absence
of Mr. H. S. PLAYFAIR, the
Company's affairs will be attended
to by Mr. J. de LANCASTER.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1916.

NOTICE.

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OFFICIAL MARKET PRICES.

Hongkong, March 12, 1915.
BUTCHER MEAT.

Beef Sirloin—Mei Lung Pa	lb.	19
" Prime Cut	"	21
" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	"	19
" Roast—Shin	"	19
" Breast—Ngau Lam	"	17
" Soup—Tung Yuk	"	15
" Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa	"	20
" do—Sirloin—Ngau Lan	"	30
" Sausages—Ngau Cheung	"	24
Bullock's Brains—No	per set	10
" Tongue, fresh—Ngau Li	each	50
" Corned—Ham Ngau Li	"	60
" Head—Ngau Tan	"	\$1.00
" Heart—Ngau Sam	"	14
" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin	"	20
" Feet—Ngau Keuk	each	11
" Kidneys—Ngau Yin	"	11
" Tail—Ngau Mai	"	18
" Liver—Ngau Kon	"	13
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To	"	6
Calves' Head & Feet—Ngau-tai-tan-keuk	set	\$1.08
Mutton Chop—Young Pui Kwat	lb.	25
" Leg—Young Pui	"	25
" Shoulder—Young Shan	"	24
" Saddle	"	27
Pigs Chittlings—Chu Chang	"	27
" Brains—Chu No	per set	24
" Feet—Chu Keuk	"	13
" Fry—Chu Chap	"	15
" Head—Chu Tan	"	11
" Heart—Chu Sam	each	18
" Kidneys—Chu Yin	"	18
" Liver—Chu Kon	"	13
" Chop—Chu Pui Kwat	"	24
" Corned—Ham Chu Yuk	"	23
" Leg—Chu Pui	"	23
" Fat or Lard—Chu Yan	"	20
Sheep's Head and Feet—Young Tan Keuk	set	60
" Heart—Young Sam	each	8
" Kidneys—Young Yin	"	12
" Liver—Young Kon	"	12
" Sucking Pigs to order—Chu Tsai	"	22
" Suet, Beef—Shang Nf a Yan	"	20
" Mutton—Shang Young Yan	"	26
" Veal—Ngau Tsai Yuk	"	19
" Sausages—Ngau Tsai Cheung	"	20
" Lard—Chu Yan	"	20

POULTRY:

Chicken—Kai Tsai	lb.	35
Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai	"	34
Ducks—Ap	"	32
Doves—Pan Kan	"	18
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan (cooking)	per doz	20
" (fresh)	"	36
Fowls, Canton—Kai	lb.	42
" Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	"	30
Geeses—Ngo	"	24
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kap	each	28
" Hoihow—Hoi How Pak Kap	"	25
" Snake—Sha Tsui	each	22
Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung	lb.	60
" Hen	"	45
Pheasant—Shan Kai	"	75
Quail—Om Chun	"	25
Partridges—Che Kn	"	65

FISH:

Barbel—Ka Yu	lb.	18
Bream—Pin Yu	"	18
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu	"	15
Carp—Li Yu	"	20
Catfish—Chik Yu	"	12
Codfish—Man Yu	"	14
Crabs—Hoi	"	26
Cuttle Fish—Mak Yu	"	18
Dab—Sha Mang Yu	"	12
Dace—Wong Mei Lap	"	13
Dog Fish—Tit To Sha	"	10
Eels, Conger—Hoi Man	"	13
" Fresh water—Tam Sai Yu	"	18
Eels, Yellow—Wong Sin	"	32
Frogs—Tin Kai	"	33
Garoupa—Shek Pan	"	40
Gudgeon—Pak Kap Yu	"	18
Herrings—Tao Pak	"	20
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Kap	"	20
Labrus—Wong Pa Yu	"	18
Loach—Wu Yu	"	18
Lobsters—Lung Ha	"	28
Mackerel—Chi Yu	"	20
Monk Fish—Mong Yu	"	32
Wallut—Chai Yu	"	16
Oysters—Shang Ho	"	22
Parrot Fish—Kai Kung Yu	"	12
Perch—Tan Lo	"	18
Pike—Pa Pan Fong	"	18
Plaice—Pan Yu	"	15
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chung	"	26
Pomfret, White—Pak Chung	"	28
Prawns—Ming Ha	"	38
Ray—Pai Pa Sha	"	10
Rock Fish—Shek Kau Kung	"	15
Roach—Chun Yu	"	12
Salmon—Ma Yu	"	38
Shark—Sha Yu	"	7
Skate—Po Yu	"	8
Shrimps—Ha	"	25
Snapper—Lap Yu	"	28
Sole—Tat Sha Yu	"	28
Tench—Wan Yu	"	18
Turbot—Cho How Yu	"	18
Turtles, small, fresh, water—Kook Yu	"	60

FRUITS:

Almonds—Rang Yan	lb.	35
Apples (California)—Kam Shan Ping Khe	"	18
" (Ohio)—Tin Chun Ping Khe	"	15

Bananas, fragrant, Canton—San Shing Heng Chiu
(Indies), Macao—San Heng Chiu

Chestnuts, Chinese—Fong Lut	each	12
Cocconuts—Ye Tse	"	12
Grapes—Po Tai Tse	"	12
Lemons, China—Ling Mang	"	3
" America—Kam Shan Ling Mang	"	10
Litchies Dried—Lai Chi, small Stone	lb.	28
" Fresh	"	10
Oranges, (Canton)—Shan-shang Tin Ching	"	5
" Sweet	"	8
Pears, (American)—Kun San Shoo Lay	"	18
" (Canton, Cooking)—Sha Li	"	10
Peanuts—Pa Shang	"	10
Plantain—Tai Chin	"	1
Plums—Swatow, Hung Lai	"	1
Pumelo, Siam—Chim Lo Yan	each	14
" Shanghai—Lo Kwat	"	1
Walnuts—Hop To	lb.	15
" Green—Sung Hop Tuo	"	1
Water Melon, (Am)—Kam San Sai Kwa	each	1

VEGETABLES, &c.

Artichokes, Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Ah Chi	lb.	8
Cheuk	"	8
Beans, (French), Macao—Oh Moou Pin Tan	"	8
" (French), Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Pin	"	8
" Sprout—Ah Chai	"	8
" Long—Tsu Kok	"	10
Beet Root—Hung Chai Tan	each	8
Bitter Squash—Fu Kwa	"	8
Brinjals, Green—Ching Yuan Kwa	"	6
" Red—Hung Ke	"	8
Cabbage, Chinese, (common)—Kai Tsai	lb.	18
Cabbage, Shanghai—Ye Tsai	"	14
Cane Shoots, bunch—Kau Shun	"	8
Carrots—Kam Shun	"	8
Celery, Chinese—Tung Kan Tsai	"	8
Chillies Dried—Kam Lap Chin	"	25
" Red—Hung Fa Chin	"	10
" Green—Ching Lap Chin	"	8
Curry Stuff, English—Ka Li Chun Liu	"	10
Cucumbers—Ching Kwa	each	2
Garlic—Sun Tan	"	15
Ginger, young—Sun Tse Keung	"	6
" old—Lo Keung	"	9
Horse Radish, Shanghai—Lik Kan	"	12
Indian Corn—Suk Mai	"	1
Lettuce—Young Shang Tsai	"	1
Water Chestnuts—Ma Tai	lb.	8
" Mandarin—Kwai Lam Ma Tai	"	8
Mushrooms, Fresh—Shang Cho Ko	"	35
Must Melon, Amer.—Kam-san Hong Kwa	each	1
Okraes	lb.	1
Onions Bombay—Young Chong Tai	"	8
" Green—Shang Chong	"	6
" Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Chong Tai	"	7
Parsley—Kun Tsai	lb.	8
Green Peas—Ching Tsai	lb.	1
Potatoes, Sweet—Fan Shu	"	3
" Shanghai—Sheung-hoi Shu Tsai	"	3
" Japan—Yut Pun Shu Tsai	"	3
" American—Pa Ki Shu Tsai	"	8
" Foochow—Foo-chow Shu Tsai	"	1
Pumpkin—Tung Kwa	"	3
Radish—Hung Lo Pak Tsai	"	3
Rhubarb (Fresh)—Tai Wong	"	1
Sage—Tse So	"	1
Shallots—Kon Chung Tsai	"	8
Spinach—Yin Tsai	"	5
Tomatoes—Fan Ke	"	6
" Wai Tsai	"	6
Turnips, Punt, (Long)—Lo Pak	"	4
" English—Yeung Lo Pak	"	4
Vegetable Marrow—Chit' wa	"	4
" (American)—Kam-san hit wa	"	12
Water Cress—Sai Young Tsai	"	8
" Lily root—Lin Ngau	"	6
Yams—Ta Shu	"	6
" Enghish—Yeung Kan Chai	"	1
" Tan	"	1

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RUBBER SHARE REPORT.

STERLING SHARES.

PRICES BY MAIL From SINGAPORE Dated February 1st, 1916.

Nom. Value.	Buyers.	Sellers.
2/- Allagar	12/8	2/-
1 Anglo-Java	12/8	14/-
2/- Anglo-Malay	9/6	60/6
2/- Batang Malaka	2/2	2/6
1 Batu Tiga (Selangor)	50/-	60/-
2/- Bekoh	2/2	2/5
1 Bukit Kajang	37/6	40/-
1 Bukit Lintang	60/-	65/-
2/- Bukit Mertajam	2/4	2/7
1 Bukit Rajah	100/-	106/-
2/- Bukit Sembawang	2/1	2/4
1 Castlefield (Klang)	80/-	85/-
2/- Chersonese (F.M.S.)	3/-	3/9
1/6 Chimpul	7/3	1/-
2/- Cicely	13/6	16/-
2/- Consol. Pref.	12/-	13/6
2/- Consolidated Malay	8/-	9/-
1 Damansara (Selangor)	60/-	65/-
1 Dennistown	21/8	23/9
1 Duff Development	3/6	5/-
2/- Edinburgh	6/-	6/9
1 Goldenda Malay	41/8	43/3
1 Harrop	11/-	11/6
2/- Headwood	1/10	2/3
1 Highlands & Lowlands	50/-	55/-
1 Inch Kenneth	60/-	65/-
2/- Jasin	1/7	2/-
2/- Kamuning Perak	2/-	2/6
1 Kapar Para	85/-	90/-
2/- Kota Tinggi Johore	1/6	2/-
1 Kuala Lumpur	70/-	75/-
2/- Labu (F.M.S.)	5/-	6/-
1 Lanadon	37/6	45/-
1 Langen (Java)	30/-	35/-
1 Ledbury	40/-	50/-
2/- Linggi Plantations Ord.	18/6	20/-
2/- London A. R. and Prod.	6/5	7/3
1 Lumut	35/-	37/6
1 Malacca R. P. Ord.	80/-	85/-
2/- Merlimau	70/-	77/6
1 Mount Austin	3/9	4/2
1 Nordanal	17/6	18/-
2/- Padang Jawa	2/-	2/3
2/- Pataling	30/-	32/6
2/- Perak	4/-	4/3
1 Permas	17/6	20/-
1 Pegoh	35/-	40/-
2/- Port Dickson	1/8	2/-
1 Rembia ord.	17/-	20/-
1 Rembia Pref.	18/-	20/-
12/6 Rubber Plant Invest Trust	10/9	12/6
1 Sagg	110/-	115/-
1 Saponz	12/6	17/6
1 Seafeld	75/-	80/-
2/- Selangor	19/-	22/6
1 Sendayan	20/-	25/-
1 Seremban	21/6	20/-
1 Shelford	17/6	22/6
1 Sialang	45/-	50/-
2/- Singapore Para	2/14	2/4
2/- Singapore United	2/-	2/3
2/- Straits Settlements (Bertan)	3/6	4/-
2/- Sumatra Para	6/3	7/-
1 Sungai Choh	50/-	55/-
2/- Sungai Kapar	7/-	8/-
1 Sungai Salak	50/6	53/9
1 Sungai Way	70/-	74/-
1 Tebran (Johore)	40/-	50/-
1 United Sna Betong	22/-	25/-
2/- United Serdang Sumatra	9/6	10/6
2/- United Sumatra	5/3	7/-
2/- United Temiang	1/9	2/-
2/- Vallambrosa	15/-	16/9

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1 Alor Gajah	3 10	3 25
1 Ayer Kuning	1 10	1 25
1 Ayer Molek	2 00	2 10
1 Ayer Panas	7 00	8 25
1 Balgownie	4 75	5 25
1 Bukit Jelutong	6 25	7 00
1 Bukit Katil	7 25	8 00
10 Bukit Timah	15 00	16 00
5 Changkat Serdang	8 25	9 00
1 Glensay	1 35	1 55
5 Haytor	7 00	7 50
10 Indragiri	10 00	11 00
1 Jeram	1 25	1 40
1 Jimah	7 00	8 00
5 Kalamak	4 25	5 00
2 Kempas	4 50	5 00
5 Lunas	4 10	4 30
1 Malaka Pinda	1 85	1 95
2 Malakoff	3 90	4 15
1 Mandai Tekong	70	75
1 Merzui	3 00	3 30
2 New Serendah	2 50	2 75
5 Nyalas	4 75	5 00
5 Pajm	16 00	17 00
1 Pantai	1 30	1 50
10 Pulau Bulang	2 00	2 30
1 Punggor	85	90
5 Radella	9 50	10 25
2 Sandycroft	8 50	9 50
2 Sungai Bagan	2 15	2 25
1 Tambalak	70	80
10 Tapah	15 00	16 00
5 Teluk Anson	9 00	9 50
2 Trafalgar	1 10	1 25
1 Utu Pandan	45	55
1 United Malacca	1 00	1 15

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NOTICES.

G. R.

Any European, Non-Asiatic or Indian desiring to leave the Colony should apply in writing for permission to do so to the Captain Superintendent of Police, at least 48 hours before the intended hour of departure, giving name, nationality, age, sex, height and occupation of the applicant, and stating the name of the steamer or other vessel or the hour of the train by which the applicant wishes to leave. Applicants should apply in person for their passes at the Central Police Station between the hours of 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

Hongkong 9th July, 1915.

NOTICE

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI

BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 9th day of February, 1916, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a statement of Accounts for the year ending the 31st December, 1915.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from MONDAY, the 7th February, to SATURDAY, the 19th February, 1916 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors

N. J. STARR,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1916

HONGKONG CANTON AND

MACAO STEAMBOAT CO.,

LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Mansions, on TUESDAY, the 15th February, 1916, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd to 15th February, 1916, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

W. E. CLARKE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1916.

UNION WATERBOAT CO.,

LIMITED.

NOTICE

TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Eleventh Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Limited, on Monday, the 14th February 1916 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of accounts to 31st December, 1915.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 7th to 14th February both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & CO. LTD.

General Managers.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1916.

NOTICE

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

ANNUAL SHOW.

The Flower and Vegetable Show will be held on the 3rd and 4th March, in the Botanic Gardens. Intending Exhibitors should send their entry forms to the Hon. Secretary not later than 2th February.

Copies of Rules and Schedules may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary.

A. NICOL,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1916.

NOTICES

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Hotel on Saturday the 12th February 1916 at 12.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts of the Company to the 31st December 1915, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matter that may be competently brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 5th to 12th February 1916, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board

J. H. TAGGART,

Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1916.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND

FINANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE

is hereby given that the

ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING

OF SHAREHOLDERS

will be held at the Hongkong

Hotel, Hongkong, on SATUR-

DAY 12th February 1916 at noon,

for the purpose of receiving the

report of the Directors together

with a Statement of Accounts for

the year ending 31st December

1915.

The TRANSFER BOOK of the

Company will be closed from the

7th to the 14th February (both

days inclusive), during which

period no transfer of shares can

be effected.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS

& SON,

General Managers.

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that the TWENTY-SEVENTH

ORDINARY MEETING OF

SHAREHOLDERS in this Com-

pany will be held at the COM-

pany's OFFICES, VICTORIA

BUILDINGS on FRIDAY 18th

FEBRUARY, 1916 at noon, for

the purpose of receiving the

REPORT of the DIRECTORS

together with Statement of

ACCOUNTS for the year ending

31st December, 1915. The RE-

GISTER of SHARES of the

Company will be closed from

FRIDAY 11th to FRIDAY 18th

February, 1916 (both days in-

clusive), during which period no

TRANSFER OF SHARES can be

registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

MOWBRAY & CO. NORTH COTE

Acting Secretary

to

THE HONGKONG LAND IN-

VESTMENT & AGENCY

CO., LTD.

Agents

for the Kowloon Land and Build-

ing Co., Ltd.

THE HONGKONG & WHAM-

POA DOCK Co., Ltd.

Shareholders desirous of mak-

ing inquiries in respect of the

debenture issue should apply to

the Company's office in Hongkong.

All applications for debentures

must be sent in before the 29th

February 1916.

Forms may be had on applica-

tion.

A. NICOL,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1916.

NOTICE.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

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THE RAILWAY PASSENGERS ASSURANCE COMPANY.

(TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER 1914)

I—Authorized Capital—\$5,000,000

Subscribed Capital—4,500,000

Paid-up Capital—\$2,500,000

II—Fire Funds—3,837,047

III—Life and Annuity Funds—12,567,290

Sinking Fund Account—12,230

Total—\$23,970,367

Revenue Fire Branch—\$2,385,576

Life and Annuity—3,837,047

Branches—2,141,593

Marine Department—337,459

Other Receipts—479,349

Total—\$23,339,223

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COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

S-SPELLERS SA-SALES R-REYES N-NOMINAL

Gold Leaf per oz.	\$37.40
Sovereign	\$10.25
Bar Silver per oz.....	27

SUBSIDIARY COINS
Discount per \$100:

Chinese.....20 cts. pieces	\$14
Chinese.....10 "	\$14
Hongkong.....20 cts. pieces	\$8
Hongkong 10 "	\$8

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WAR TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from page 1.)

FOR DISABLED SOLDIERS.

February 9, 5.45 p.m.
A White Paper on the Land Settlement scheme for discharged soldiers suggests beginning with two million sterling to establish three pioneer colonies in Great Britain, totalling five thousand acres. It urges the co-operation of the Country Councils in providing small holdings for men. It is not prepared to go above the State Colonies that provision for the agricultural training of disabled men. It considers such land settlement is more likely to succeed than anything hitherto.

MORE PEACE OVERTURES?

February 2, 8.40 p.m.
It is suggested that the mission of Lord Curzon and Sir Douglas Haig to the King of the Belgians is connected with German peace overtures to Belgium.

ANOTHER AIR RAID.

SOME GLASS BROKEN.

February 2, 8.20 p.m.
An official message says:—Two German aeroplanes this afternoon dropped three bombs in a field near Ramsgate and four near a school at Broadstairs. No damage was done except to some glass and there were no casualties.

TWO WOMEN AND ONE CHILD INJURED.

February 9, 8.20 p.m.
It is officially announced that two women and a child were injured in yesterday afternoon's air raid on the coast. A number of naval and military aeroplanes ascended to attack the raiders who immediately retreated. No engagement is reported.

IN EAST AFRICA.

GENERAL SMITH DORRIEN RESIGNS.

February 9, 9.50 p.m.
It is officially announced that General Smith Dorrien has resigned through ill health. General Smuts will succeed him.

WAR OFFICE EXPLANATION.

February 10, 6.30 p.m.
A War Office announcement says that the command in East Africa was offered to General Smuts in November but that he was unable, for various reasons, to accept it. As ill health necessitated General Smith Dorrien's relinquishing the command it was again offered to General Smuts, who, in the circumstances, accepted it. He has been appointed temporary Lieutenant-General.

THE ITALIANS.

ARTILLERY BUSY ON THE ISONZO.

February 10, 12.10 p.m.
A Rome communique says there is increasing artillery activity on the Isonzo.

THE GERMANS AND AMERICANS

February 10, 3.20 a.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Washington, it is announced that President Wilson has accepted Germany's final offer in the Lusitania matter. Only a few minor changes require to be made in the wording of the German reply.

AGAINST THE BLOCKADE.

According to Reuter's correspondent at New York the press headlines describe the Lusitania settlement as an acceptance of Germany's terms. It is stated that German propagandists are already campaigning with a view to securing action in Congress against the Allies' blockade. They are reported as saying that submarine warfare cannot be suspended while the United States tolerates the blockade.

THE ARTEMIS AFFAIR.

February 10, 3.00 a.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at the Hague the Dutch Foreign Ministry announces that the strongest representations have been made to Berlin in regard to the torpedoing of the Artemis. The German Minister at the Hague has expressed regret and readiness to pay an indemnity.

THE BIRCH-FOR-STEALING.

A folk told Mr. J. E. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, in a case in which a Chinese was charged with stealing clothing, that he had left a ship in the harbour for about half an hour yesterday, and when he got back he found, to his chagrin, that a basket containing seven pieces of clothing which belonged to him, was missing. He was told by the master of the boat that his property had been recovered. A mate in the boat stated that they found the basket in defendant's possession, covered with matting.

Defendant said he was going to the country, and when he boarded the junk he met an old woman who said she was going to the same place as he, so they decided to go together. When they had sat there some time a man came to him and, pointing

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POST OFFICE.

Correspondence addressed to enemy subjects in China, Japan, Persia and Mesopotamia cannot be transmitted.

The Services to Germany, Austria, and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

Ships in communication with Cape D'Aguiar Radio-Telegraph Station—Atlantic.

MAILS DUE.

Shanghai, Tientsin, 11th Feb.

MAILS CLOSE TO-DAY.

Shanghai & N. China—Per TAMSUI, 11th Feb. 5 p.m.
Ningpo, Shanghai & N. China—Per YUSHUN, 11th Feb. 5 p.m.
Saigon—Per TONGHONG, 11th Feb. 5 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Fort Bayard—Per CHONGVA, 11th Feb. 5 a.m.
Batavia, Samarang, Soerabaya, Port Moresby (via Batavia)—Per TJIMANOEK, 11th Feb. 11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy, Shanghai & N. China—Per XIUKIANG, 11th Feb. 11 a.m.
Philippine Is.—Per LOONGSANG, 11th Feb. 2 p.m.
Straits & India via Calcutta—Per NAMSANG, 11th Feb. 2 p.m.
Swatow, Shanghai & North China—Per CHOVSANG, 11th Feb. 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, 13th Feb.

Swatow, Amoy & Tientsin via Tamsui—Per DALI, 11th Feb. 9 a.m.
Shanghai & N. China—Per LUCHOW, 11th Feb. 9 a.m.
Bangkok—Per QUARTA, 11th Feb. 9 a.m.

MONDAY, 14th Feb.

Straits, Mauritius, Delagoa Bay, Durban, East London, Port Elizabeth, Mossel Bay, Cape Town—Per SALAMIS, 14th Feb. 10 a.m.
Japan via Nagasaki & San Francisco—Per TISONDAI, 14th Feb. 10 a.m.

Shanghai & N. China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, N. & S. America, & Canada via San Francisco & United Kingdom via Canada—Per CHINA, 14th Feb. noon.
Macassar, Soerabaya, Samarang, Batavia & Port Moresby via Batavia—Per THIKIN, 14th Feb. 2 p.m.
Shanghai & N. China—Per WOSANG, 14th Feb. 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, 15th Feb.

Straits, Ceylon, Port Said, Marseilles & London—Per MONGARA, 15th Feb. 9 a.m.
Haiphong—Per SUNGKIANG, 15th Feb. 9 a.m.

Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand, via Thursday Island—Per AKI MABU, 15th Feb. 10 a.m.
Shanghai, N. China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, N. & S. America, & Canada via San Francisco & United Kingdom via Canada (Europe via Siberia)—Per TONYO MABU, 15th Feb. 11 a.m.

[Shanghai & N. China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, N. & S. America, & Canada via San Francisco & United Kingdom via Canada (Europe via Siberia)—Per TONYO MABU, 15th Feb. 11 a.m.]

Swatow, Amoy & Fuzhou—Per HAI-CHING, 15th Feb. 1 p.m.
Philippine Is.—Per TAMING, 15th Feb. 3 p.m.

Shanghai and North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per YING CHOW, 15th Feb. 3 p.m. [Shanghai & N. China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, N. & S. America, & Canada via San Francisco & United Kingdom via Canada (Europe via Siberia)—Per TONYO MABU, 15th Feb. 11 a.m.]

FRIDAY, 16th Feb.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Moji, Victoria B.C., Vancouver & United Kingdom via Canada (Europe via Siberia)—Per TONYO MABU, 16th Feb. 1.30 a.m.
[Shanghai & N. China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, N. & S. America, & Canada via San Francisco & United Kingdom via Canada (Europe via Siberia)—Per TONYO MABU, 15th Feb. 11 a.m.]

MONDAY, 28th Feb.

Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand, via Port Darwin, and New Guinea via Thursday I.—Per TAIYUAN, 28th Feb. 11 a.m.

Oysters, Fresh, Fried or Stewed
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SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Kanaka, Br. ex. 1341, R. Lockhart, 10th inst.—Shanghai, 7th inst. Case oil—S. T. Co.
Tango Maru, Jap. ex. 4360, K. Soyeda, 10th inst.—Manila, 8th inst. Gen.—N.Y.K.
Chicago Maru, Jap. ex. 1637, K. Hori, 10th inst.—Manila, 8th inst. Gen.—O.S.K.
Kaiyo Maru, Jap. ex. 2505, T. Nakamura, 11th inst.—Mitsui, 5th inst. Coal—M.R.K.
Shuang, Br. ex. 1176, H. Simpson, 11th inst.—Singapore, 4th inst. Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Luchow, Br. ex. 1221, Gibbs, 11th inst.—Shanghai, 7th inst. Gen.—S. & S.

DEPARTED.

Feb. 10.
Atlantic for Yokohama via Shanghai
Taitai Maru for Dairen
Tamon Maru for Dairen
Phoenician for Saigon
Kafo Maru for Keelung via Swatow
Chiyon for Canton
Chienan for Shanghai
Chienan for Shanghai via Swatow
Sardis for Bombay via Swatow
Kwelin for Dairen
Haiman for Fuzhou via Swatow

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Feb. 1.
Kaching for Saigon
Feb. 11.
Atlanta Maru for London via Singapore
Haidia for Saigon
San Spillman for Hongkong
Chienan for Swatow and Singapore
Standard for Saigon
Tango Maru for Yokohama via Fuzhou
Shinkai Maru for Bombay via Swatow
Remailer for Yokohama via Nagasaki
Tamsui for Shanghai
Yehin for Ningpo and Shanghai
Upin for Chao and Wei-hai-wai
Nevis for Saigon
Mansing for San-Fran
Tong Hong for Saigon
Fong for Shanghai via Ningpo
Chongra for Kwang-chau-wan

WATER RETURN.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on the 1st Jan., 1916.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

Typical water level in the City and Hill Districts on the 1st Jan., 1916.

STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

Consumption of water in the City and Hill Districts in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of Dec. 1915.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

Typical water level in the Kowloon Districts on the 1st Jan., 1916.

STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

Consumption of water in the Kowloon Districts in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of Dec. 1915.

TIDE TABLE.

From 7th to 13th Feb., 1916.

High Water, Low Water, etc.

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 11th at 10.40—The anticyclone is nearly stationary, but has weakened. The northern depression is still shown to the north-east of Hokkaido.

A depression appears to have formed over Manchuria.

Pressure is nearly stationary in southern districts.

The monsoon will be interrupted to the north of Fuzhou and will moderate over the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.40 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District Forecast.

1 Hongkong to Gap Rock—N.E. winds, moderate, fair.

2 Formosa Channel—N.E. winds, moderate, fair.

3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamook—The same as No. 1.

4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan—The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register, 11th February, a.m.

Station, Hour, Barometer, Temperature, Humidity, Wind, etc.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, February 11.

1 Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4 Direction of Wind, to two points.

5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

State of Weather, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, i lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew wet.

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SHANGHAI—Nankin, Capt. G. Manley, about 19th Feb. Freight & Passage
SHANGHAI, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama—Nore, Capt. D. Asbury, about 22nd Feb. Freight & Passage

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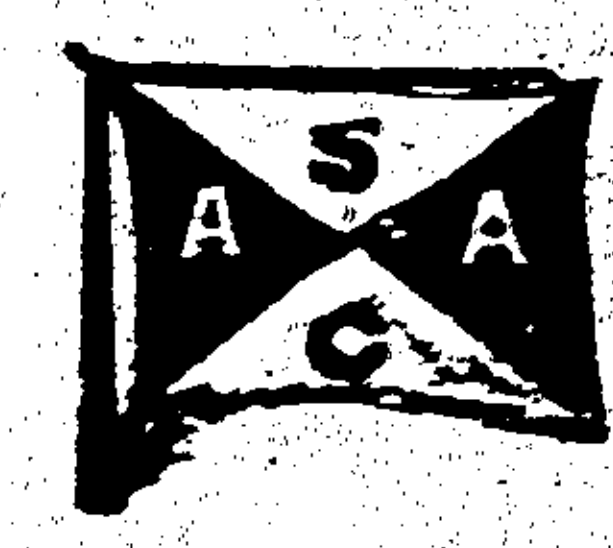
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